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Are you looking for furniture for your college student? Need something to add to the cabin up north? Just like to hunt for treasures? Don't miss out on this once a year opportunity! The 14th Annual Northville Historical Society and Girl Scout Garage Sale starts Monday, June 11 and runs through Saturday, June 16. The sale is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day at the home of Bill and Carole Jean Stockhausen, 218 W. Dunlap, corner of High Street, in downtown Northville. Come and see what is offered this year.

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If you have questions, contact Carole Jean Stockhausen at (248) 349-2833. Organizers are especially in need of furniture and would be willing to pick up furniture the week of the sale if you can't get it to them.

K2, Spice sellers beware

Local law enforcement looking to crack down on K2, Spice drugs

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

As legislation is considered to better restrict the sale of new drugs like K2 and Spice, Northville

Township and other local law enforcement agencies are moving forward to counteract the growing and deadly trend. Police chiefs in Canton, Plymouth and Northville

Townships announced on June 4 their offices were sending letters to nearly 100 businesses in the Western Wayne Community, warning they could face criminal or civil

penalties if they sell the drugs. The Police Departments are asking for voluntary compliance of the businesses to stop the selling of all synthetic cannabinoids and synthetic cathinones. According to John Werth, Northville Township Public Safety director, over the last several weeks the Western Wayne Community Response Team (CRT) sent undercover officers into over 25 gas stations, stores and markets throughout the three communities and attempted to purchase the synthetic drugs. This team is comprised of law enforcement members from the three townships.

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Graduation day



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville High's class of 2012 graduated June 3 at commencement ceremonies at Compuware Arena. For more on area graduations, turn to our special graduation section, starting on Page B1.

Carnival returning downtown in June during Arts and Acts

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

The city council approved by a 3-1 vote on Monday to allow a carnival, sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, to use the Northville Downs parking lot during the Arts and Acts festival. The carnival will arrive on June 21, a day before the three-day festival. This parking lot is also where the Solstice Run starts on June 23. The last time the carnival was in Northville was in 2007. City Manager Pat Sullivan said security is the main concern in allowing the carnival to happen at the location during such a busy weekend. Council member Nancy Darga voted

no because she felt there would be just too much going on in that lot that weekend, and the city might not be able to provide enough security. Mayor Chris Johnson had an excused absence from the meeting. The proposal was approved with the stipulation that the chamber of commerce would ensure security would be provided, and if need be the city would be reimbursed for any extra man hours. A decision like this is usually reserved for the city manager, however, Sullivan said because he is a member of the chamber of commerce there was a conflict of interest. Therefore, he put it before the council.

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Hit-and-run driver pleads guilty

Fatally struck pedestrian on Griswold Street

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

The South Lyon man charged in the deadly hit-and-run accident in downtown Northville pleaded guilty last week in a Detroit courtroom and will now face sentencing later this month, Northville city police Chief Gary Goss said. Kevin Alexander

issued the plea for the charge of failure to stop at the scene off an accident resulting in serious impairment or death for the incident that occurred this past December. He was scheduled to be tried by a jury at the 3rd District Court in Detroit, but that will not happen now. Alexander was charged.

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Thayer's Corner earns Wildlife Habitat status

By Lonnie Huhman
Correspondent

Thayer's Corner Nature Center has always been a place of wildlife and conservation, but now it's official.

The National Wildlife Federation has certified the location as a Wildlife Habitat site.

Marv Gans, a Northville Township trustee and one of Thayer's biggest supporters, said the designation is a great move forward for the community park located at the edge of Northville Township on Napier Road.

"We have a pond, wooded areas and the habitat is preserved," Gans said of meeting the NWF requirements. "So this is a great development for us."

A letter was sent to Gans by NWF naturalist David Mizejewski notifying him of the honor, which places Thayer's among a nationwide group that includes 150,000 other locations.

To meet the requirements, a location must provide the four basic elements that all wildlife need: food, water, cover and places to raise young.

Gans said at Thayer's he has seen turkeys, deer, coyotes and a variety of birds. He also said the pond occasionally sees a duck or two using it as a layover spot during their migrating journeys. It's important to Thayer's supporters that it stays as natural a habitat as possible, he said.

Conservation is another requirement for a location to be certified and the community gardens are great examples of how Thayer's users responsibly use the land. The number of gardens has grown in the last couple of years. Gans said the total this year is over 70.

In the next month or so, Thayer's Corner supporters will construct a marker that signifies the new designation for this thriving nature area.



Northville Township Trustee Marv Gans stops by Thayer's Corner on May 16 to chat with volunteer Roger Watkins, right. Watkins and a crew were finishing up pouring cement for the Six and Ridge Road park's shelter — which was built using wood from downtown Northville's former gazebo. Thayer's Corner was recently recognized by the National Wildlife Federation for its efforts to preserve nature in its 60 acres. The park's barn hosted its first paying event — a bridal shower — on May 19.

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McCotter ends write-in campaign

Campaign rep says independent run ruled out

By Kathy Gray
Gannett News Service

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, is done with elective office. He has nixed a write-in campaign for his seat in Congress and Monday said he won't launch a run as an independent candidate. His office said that the Republican will never run for elected office again.

"He's done seeking elective office," said his

spokesman Randall Thompson.

The inauspicious end of McCotter's career came after his campaign failed to submit enough valid petition signatures to qualify for the Aug. 7 primary ballot. Of the nearly 2,000 signatures the campaign submitted, the Secretary of State determined that only 244 were valid.

The petitions were littered with pages that were photocopied multiple times and were doctored to appear they had been gathered on certain dates. The Michigan Attorney General's office has launched an investigation to determine how the fraud occurred.

Originally, McCotter said he would run as a write-in candidate, but issued a statement Saturday through Randall Thompson, his campaign spokesman, indicating otherwise.

"One can't clean up a mess multitasking," McCotter said. "Honoring my promise to the sovereign people of our community only allows me to finish the official duties of my present Congressional term; and aid the State Attorney General criminal investigation that I requested into identifying the person or persons who concocted the fraudulent petitions that have cost me so dearly."

"Honoring this promise does not allow me to continue a political write-in campaign. This decision is final, regardless of how swiftly the investigation is concluded."

"To those who are unhappy at this news, I'm sorry; to those happy at this news, you're welcome," McCotter said.

The state Board of Canvassers office was scheduled to meet Wednesday to determine who has enough signatures

to get on the ballot. Congressional candidates have to submit between 1,000 and 2,000 valid signatures while U.S. Senate candidate have to submit between 15,000 and 30,000 valid signatures.

Three candidates will likely be listed on the August primary ballot for the 11th Congressional District: Republican Kerry Bentivolio of Milford, and Democrats Syed Taj of Canton and William Roberts of Redford.

Former state legislator Lauren Bennett, a Canton Republican, announced his plans to run in the primary as a write-in candidate. Other names mentioned as potential write-in candidates include Farmington Hills political consultant Paul Welday, who was chief of staff for former U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township; former state Sen. Nancy Cassis of Novi, and former state Rep. Andrew Raczkowski of Farmington Hills, who lost to U.S. Rep. Gary Peters in 2010.

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Project Hope: Amerman playground wins \$10,000

Susan Tish
Correspondent

Northville's own Amerman Elementary school has won a \$10,000 grant from Bank of Ann Arbor. Selected as a finalist for the grant two weeks ago, the Northville school district, and many in the community, banded together to vote on Facebook for Amerman's project. On May 23 at the close of the contest, Amerman landed the most votes and won the top prize grant in the Bank of Ann Arbor Project Help Community grant program.

The grant will help Amerman's PTA pay for some new playground equipment to replace old structures that will be removed this summer. The new structure that was selected will cost over \$40,000 and Amerman has been working to raise

the money for it for two years. The \$10,000 will complete their fundraising efforts and they will begin work on a plan to install the equipment in a "community build" using the help of parents and community members to assemble the new structure.

Nearly two years ago, the president of the PTA at Amerman, Ashley Gonzalez, asked a group of parents to create a fundraiser to raise money to help improve the playground. To begin to raise the funds, a new tradition was started in the fall: a school-wide Walk-A-Thon to raise money and "walk or run" for the new playground! The students all participated

with enthusiasm and by last fall they had raised \$10,000 towards their new structure. A new Kids Night Out "Movie Night" at Amerman once a month will raise an additional \$2,000 this year.

Amerman families have been very supportive of the project as well. A recent letter requesting help from the parents yielded an additional \$13,000 in donations. Due to other ongoing fundraisers in the city and the tough economic times in metro Detroit, the Amerman PTA was grateful for the overwhelming response in donations.

Two families even pitched in to have T-shirts made to sell as a

fundraiser for the playground and to generate excitement among the students for their new play structure

The structure is a multi-functional design that is large enough to accommodate several students from a wide age range. Colorful and eye-catching, the students and parents are excited to have this new addition to their playground.

"This new equipment is a terrific addition to our playground. It will not only give our students more opportunities at recess, but it adds a really fun look to our downtown school," said Susan Tish, chairman of the playground committee called Project Playground.

Other exciting developments are going on at the Amerman playground as well. As part of the



Hillside students vote for Amerman on Facebook and help win \$10,000 grant.

overall refurbishment of the playground, Amerman's PTA was hoping to find someone to take on the clean up and resurfacing of their baseball diamond. Local Boy Scout Tom Franchi, a former student at Amerman, agreed to take on the baseball diamond as his Eagle Scout project. On May 19, he completed his project and refreshed the baseball diamond, with new benches and a new infield with the help of many local boy scouts.

Amerman's playground is at the edge of town. Due to its location at the bottom of the sledding hill, it gets more use from the entire community than any other playground in the district. "We believe Amerman's proximity to downtown North-

ville and to the sledding hill really make our playground a community playground and as such we hope to encourage some businesses to sponsor this great improvement to the Amerman playground," said PTA board member Mark Tithof.

In fact, Amerman has already received donations from local businesses including Goldfish Swim School, Preservation Dental, Tom Holzer Ford, Corriveau Law, The Stitching Post and now, Bank of Ann Arbor.

Thanks to the Bank of Ann Arbor grant and of so many in our community, the new equipment will be installed by the end of the summer to be ready in time for the new school year.

Submitted by Susan Tish, Amerman Project Playground Committee



The new structure that was selected will cost over \$40,000. The structure is a multi-functional design that is large enough to accommodate several students.

Letters About Literature: 3 Hillsiders semi-finalists in contest

Three students from Hillside Middle School are semi-finalists Level II winners in Letters about Literature, an annual reading and writing contest sponsored by the National Center for the Book at the Library of Congress and the Michigan Center for the Book. In the program, young readers write letters to authors, living or dead, describing how the authors' work changed their lives.

At Hillside Middle School, students wrote to authors who have impacted their lives and, in the process, not only improved their reading and writing skills, they learned to love books:

- Megan Bartley wrote to Stephanie Meyer about The Host. "Your book has taught me that love and life can live through anything thrown their way."
- Natalie Cohen wrote to Katherine Tarbox about Katie.com. "With all the predators in the world today, and all the social networking today, there's nowhere to run. That's why I chose to read Katie.com your story."
- Neha Gandra, Hillside Middle School wrote to Jeanne Birdsall about The Penderwicks. "This piece of writing means a lot to me because it shows me what life can become with just a little bit of humor, courage, or pure haughti-

ness. "Every year we receive many earnest and reflective letters that show the power of books to engage the minds of young people. Through these programs, students learn literature is more than an assignment, but is something that can deeply change their lives" said Michigan Center for the Book Coordinator Karren Reish. "We are delighted to have this opportunity to help schools and libraries foster Michigan students' interest in reading and writing and to encourage them to cultivate these skills that are key to academic and lifelong success."

You can read the complete letters at www.michigan.gov/mcfb. Level I, II and III state winners receive a \$50 Target gift card and can direct a \$300 grant for children and youth materials to the community library of their choice. Finalists receive a \$20 gift card to Schulers Books & Music from the Michigan Center for the Book.

The Michigan Center for the Book (MCFB) organizes Letters about Literature at the state level and Target is the sponsor for Letters about Literature grants and gift cards to winning students.


Free program helps students to develop leadership skills

Area high school students and teachers are invited to participate in a leadership program for the 2012-13 school year offered by USA TODAY Education called "Leadership Challenge."


The program was developed for the Lift a Life Foundation, the personal foundation of David Novak, current CEO of Louisville-based Yum! Brands, whose mission is to teach leadership skills to high school students, and the "Yum! Foundation," whose mission is to eliminate world hunger.

The program, a "leadership challenge to solve world hunger," is a service-learning-based initiative that seeks to accomplish both goals. The "Leadership Challenge" was created by the Lift A Life Foundation and the USA TODAY Charitable Foundation to encourage students to hone leadership skills as they learn about and try to solve world hunger issues.

- Program components include:
- In-classroom, standards-based curriculum on the topic of leadership will be provided to participating schools.
 - Classroom and training activities will center on the challenge of "solving world hunger."
 - Students work in teams to identify a hunger-related problem, develop a solution and execute their plan.
 - Each participating teacher will receive "Taking People With You" leadership book.
 - \$500,000 will be awarded to winning teams to be applied to their choice of hunger projects.
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Meads Mill project for the birds

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Students at Meads Mill Middle School are well on their way to becoming ornithologists — or perhaps carpenters.

A school project had about 12 kids in sixth through eighth grades building birdhouses, with the group split fairly evenly between boys and girls.

“We’d never done this before,” said Paul Sklut, applied technology teacher. The larger birdhouses were made of cedar and designed for outdoor use, measuring 10 to 12 inches.

All the bigger birdhouses have been purchased. “I was pleased not to have a bunch of these to sell,” said Sklut, who also teaches at Hillside Middle School.

Smaller birdhouses measuring around 5 inches were also created to adorn a shelf or desk. Those were painted.

“I was quite pleased with the paint jobs,” he said. “They learned about fitting things together and the process.” The students learned not to cut right on the line but to sand down their work instead.

“Birdhouse Club is one of the most enjoyable things I’ve done in my entire life. I get to build, hang out with my

friends and teacher, and just enjoy myself, and the birdhouses always come out great. Also, it’s great to know that the sale of our work is helping build homes for the homeless,” said Rachel O’Farrell, a sixth-grader.

Proceeds are supporting Habitat for Humanity, which provides housing for low-income people. The project was open to the whole school and Meads Mill kids worked Tuesdays and Thursdays in February on the birdhouses.

“It was a learning experience for all of us,” Sklut said. “I’ll remember to make sure they’ve got snacks. They’re eating machines at that age.”

The Birdhouse Club met after school. Sklut would like to try the project again, perhaps at Hillside or at Meads Mill again. A Meads Mill colleague has asked him about an animal habitat at the school that could use birdhouses.

“So that potentially could happen,” he said. “It was fun. It was nice to have students want to come in.”

He’s been teaching at Meads Mill 10 years and 13 in education. Sklut started as a high school teacher, went to industry a few years and returned to education.

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The Meads Mill Middle School students are proud of the birdhouses they built, with sale proceeds supporting Habitat for Humanity. In the photo (back row left to right) are Zain Arfi, Emily SeGraves, Rachel O’Farrell and Grant Mar-maduke. The front row shows Kyra Eddy, Connor Hart, Serena Wang and Priya Dan-damudi.



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Lemonade Day

A group of third grade Winchester girls is teaming up to run a lemonade stand in downtown Northville on Saturday as part of Detroit Lemonade Day, an experiential learning program that teaches kids how to start and operate their own business — a lemonade stand. Find the girls from noon-5 p.m. on the north side of Main Street, west of Center Street. Proceeds will go to benefit Make a Wish Foundation.



GUILTY

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with hitting 25-year-old Joshua Green of West Bloomfield with his vehicle while driving down Griswold Street. Green's friends had witnessed the incident and did get a description of the vehicle.

Northville city police Detective Matt Clemence said the charge has a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

According to the Northville city police department, on Jan. 20, Alexander, along with his attorney, turned himself into the police station. Clemence said Alexander realized the day after the 1 a.m. accident what had happened after hearing about it in the news, specifically on television.

The department said Alexander had been forthright and cooperative with the investigation, and voluntarily surrendered the suspect vehicle. He had been keeping it in his garage since the incident, police say.

According to the police report,

that late night Green and two other friends were walking along Griswold Street toward downtown Northville to visit Brick's, a local bar. Reportedly, Green had been drinking and was engaged in an argument with one of his friends when he unexpectedly stepped out into the street from the sidewalk and was struck by a car heading south on Griswold.

Alexander reportedly did not stop even though one of Green's friends chased after his vehicle on foot. Green later died of his injuries while at Botsford Hospital.

The report stated Alexander explained that he had been at Brick's Bar with a friend, when the friend became ill due to over-indulgence. He drove his friend home and was returning back toward downtown when he said his car was struck by an object on Griswold.

At the time, Alexander alleges that he thought the persons on the sidewalk had thrown something at his vehicle and therefore he did not want to stop, according to police.

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Ben Harthun is among Northville High School baseball players who collected items for U.S. troops.

NHS baseball players recognize troops' dedication

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Lisa and Herb Harthun of Northville are pretty darn proud of son Ben, 14, a member of the freshman baseball team at Northville High.

"Ben just wanted to do something a little extra," she said of his going door to door to collect for U.S. troops. "It's something he kind of did on his own after being inspired by the program that was in place at the high school. The response was really heart-warming."

NHS baseball teams at all levels held an Armed Forces Day May 19 that included two varsity games. Branches of the service and the Michigan Military Moms were among those represented.

Ben Harthun's uncle and godfather is a retired Marine, so the teen wanted to do something extra. He collected such food items as sunflower seeds and granola bars as well as toiletries for troops.

"He had some Frisbees, a lot of decks of cards," she said.

Lisa and Herb decided to ask their bosses if they could also collect, and got the nod. She works at the accounting firm of Brinkel, Kapolnek & Mulvihill off Center Street in Northville while her husband's at the industrial piping supplier The Macomb Group in Livonia.

Lisa was able to set up shop with the landlord's permission so nearby businesses could also get involved. Together, they collected DVDs, old cell phones, prepaid phone cards, stationery and pens.

"We came with a packed minivan," she said of the May 19 event. "It was just amazing. The opening ceremony was wonderful."

The coaches did a great job organizing the event, she said, working on it for a long time. "That's what they're trying to instill in our young men, a sense of community."

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NHS baseball goes the distance for U.S. Troops

"There weren't just packages of oatmeal; there were cartons," said Merrill Griffin, vice-president of Michigan Military Moms, captured the essence of NHS Baseball's Armed Forces Day 2012. "There wasn't just a jar of peanuts; there were cases. The hand-held games, cards and Nerf footballs will make our soldiers' down time a little less dreary and stressful. With the goods donated on Saturday, all I can say is WOW!"

U.S. troops overseas will receive toiletries, snacks, games, books and letters heartily donated by the Northville Public Schools community, and those who attended NHS' Armed Forces Day celebration and varsity doubleheader on May 19. Michigan Military Moms, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, will sort, pack and ship appropriate donations.

On a postcard-perfect Saturday, NHS Baseball hosted military displays and activities, provided free food and refreshments, welcomed members of the armed forces (current and veteran), accepted donations for U.S. troops, and treated the crowd to two fantastic baseball games. The blue, sunny skies complemented dozens of flags that fluttered freely.

Festivities began with a color guard, proudly provided by Northville VFW Post 4012. Meads Mill Middle School student Carly Bins sang our national anthem. All eyes were reverently focused on the flag-raising ceremony, which showcased a flag first flown on Aug. 25, 2011 at Camp Sabalu-Harrison, Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. Upon his return from that distant base, Sergeant First Class Ryan Francis gratefully sent the flag to NHS in "recognition of the several care packages I received from your baseball team..."



STEVE PATRONE

As the Memorial Day holiday weekend began, NHS varsity baseball players placed flags on the graves of veterans at Northville's Rural Hill Cemetery. The players gathered on May 25 in the final component of their multi-faceted Armed Forces Day observance.

First pitches were thrown before the NHS v. White Lake Lakeland High School game by Army PFC Christopher Ochs, FOX 2 Sports Director Dan Miller and Richard Miller (decorated naval officer and Vietnam veteran whose son Todd is Lakeland's head coach). The teams, dressed in camo uniforms, took the field for what became a 9-1 Mustang victory. NHS sophomore Halle Bins' singing of "God Bless America" was another highlight of the opening game.

"Few people know that Lakeland's team showed up with bags and bags of donations," reflected NHS Head Varsity Baseball Coach John Kostrzewa. "Their coach's dad, a vet himself, threw out a first pitch. Lakeland shared our vision of the importance of this day."

Backbeat, the NHS men's a cappella choir, opened the second game with the "Star Spangled Banner". First pitches were thrown by Michigan Army National Guard SFC Christopher M. Ploucha and Bob Grant, who served in the

Navy in Vietnam. NHS solidly beat Wyandotte Roosevelt High School, 13-3. These two wins stretched the Mustangs' winning streak to 11, and their overall season record to 27-3.

Michigan Military Moms continues to be overwhelmed with Northville's generosity.

"We already have three stacks of packed boxes, each six feet high. But we've not even put the slightest dent into the donations crammed into our storage facility," Tracey Roberts eagerly reported. "The only ones who will be more flabbergasted than all of us will be the troops overseas who open these loaded boxes."

Assistant varsity coach Bill Flohr and his committee are grateful to everyone who helped make 2012's event the best yet.

"Of course," said Flohr, "we want to win every game. The team's played smart and worked hard. We've had a great run all season. But in the end, we know this is what separates NHS baseball from the others. The wins and losses mean nothing."

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Bulger Named
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The law firm of Miller Canfield announces that Northville resident Harold W. Bulger, a principal in the Detroit office, has been named as one of the Michigan Chronicle's Men of Excellence for 2012 for his contributions to the region, community, and to the business world. The Michigan Chronicle Men of Excellence Awards celebrate local African-American men who inspire others through their vision and leadership,



Harold Bulger

exceptional achievements, and participation in community service. Bulger was chosen from hundreds of nominees and will join a group comprised of the Detroit area's most influential men. Bulger's expertise is assisting municipalities secure financing for infrastructure improvements and capital improvements for cultural, educational and convention facilities. His practice includes municipal economic development, Brownfield redevelopment, and tax increment financing. He has extensive experience in assisting financially distressed cities and school districts with short-term cash flow borrowings and long-term fiscal stabilization bonds to solve fiscal imbalances. "I feel very honored

to have been chosen for this award from a field of so many esteemed nominees," Bulger said. "As a finance attorney, I am able to work on projects that benefit society by helping municipalities and school districts. Being honored for doing this work is extremely rewarding." Bulger has been honored by his peers for his expertise in Public Finance law in such publications as Best Lawyers in America, dBusiness Magazine's Top Lawyers, and Michigan Super Lawyers. He is a member of the ABA, State Bar of Michigan, Wolverine Bar, Detroit Bar Association, and a life member of the NAACP and Kappa Alpha Psi. He has tutored Detroit middle school children in math and is on the board of the Detroit Summer Finance Institute for high school students. Bulger received his B.S. and M.S. in mechanical engineering from Michigan State University and his J.D. and M.B.A. from the University of Michigan. An honoree reception is scheduled at the Westin Book Cadillac June 28.

Mystery author Gruley has local roots, Up North characters

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

It'll be a homecoming of sorts for author Bryan Gruley when he visits Northville's The Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro from 5-6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 9. Gruley, 54, grew up in Redford and graduated from Catholic Central High School when it was in Detroit. During his visit, he'll likely stay with brother Mike Gruley and wife Terri in Northville. Another brother, Dave, and wife Janet call Livonia home. Bryan Gruley's a reporter at large for Bloomberg News, doing mostly longer pieces for *Bloomberg Businessweek*. He spent almost 16 years at *The Wall Street Journal*, sharing the Pulitzer Prize for coverage of 9/11. His "Starvation Lake" mystery series is set in a fictional small town in Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula. "My parents bought a place on Big Twin Lake," which gets a mention, said Gruley, who graduated from Notre Dame University in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in English and American studies. The book's town of Star-



Author and journalist Bryan Gruley, who grew up in Redford, will speak Saturday, June 9, at The Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro in downtown Northville.

vation Lake is some 40-50 miles in from Traverse City. "It's the same general area," he said. His parents are deceased but the six children and their families still have the cottage. **Local haunts** A lot of familiar names and places appear "and Detroit as well." Starvation Lake has fallen on hard economic times. His new book, "The Skeleton Box," is being released June 5, just in time for his appearance at The Next Chapter. "There's lots of stuff that happens in the past," he said. "There's bad stuff

in my books. They're much darker than cozies. Bad things happen." His protagonist is Gus Carpenter, a Starvation Lake local who went away to the University of Michigan and a career at a Detroit daily newspaper. Gus commits a breach of ethics, and in the first book is associate editor for the small local paper modeled on the *Brighton Argus*, where Gruley worked. "When I think of the *Pilot* newsroom, I think of that newsroom." Working in journalism has helped with writing and with meeting deadlines: "I've been doing it since I was a kid." "It was a difficult book to write," Gruley said of his latest. "It's complex." It's inspired by a 1907 murder of a young nun that was covered up in the Leelanau Peninsula. The book begins with a set of break-ins in Starvation Lake where nothing is taken but older people's homes are invaded when they're out at bingo. A murder soon follows for Gus and others to solve. "It takes him places he would probably rather not go."

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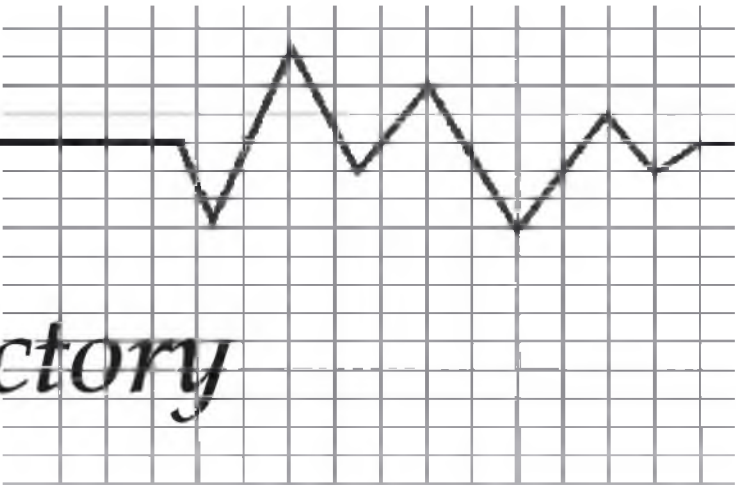
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(From left) Joe Kester, head of stores for Golfsmith, Tim Kane, general manager of Golfsmith in Troy, Marty Hanaka, Golfsmith CEO, and Dan Adair, general manager of new Novi Town Center store, celebrate the grand opening Friday of the company's new store in the Novi Town Center. The company closed its Northville store to make the move to Novi.

Golfsmith swings into Novi Town Center

By Nathan Mueller
Staff Writer

Any questions about the viability of a Golfsmith in Novi were answered Friday morning as nearly two dozen customers dodged raindrops to wait outside the store prior to its grand opening.

Throughout the day, three store remained flooded with customers who took advantage of early bird specials, hit golf balls in the hitting bays and in the simulators, and checked out the newest products in the industry.

The Novi Town Center location — formerly the site of CompUSA — came to fruition after company management felt the Northville store was too small to get the job done. The Novi store sits at 28,000 square feet, more than double that of the

one in Northville.

"We wanted to move into a bigger box because we could not serve the customers as well as we wanted to," said Marty Hanaka, CEO of Golfsmith, who made the trip from Austin, Texas, to celebrate the grand opening. "This is an adult playground."

The "playground" features everything a golfer needs, from items for men, women and children to new and used clubs, a club repair center, club fitting experts and more.

There are several hitting bays for golfers to test clubs and three simulators that the employees use to help fit people for clubs.

"The biggest change is our investment in technology so we can fit people precisely for their games," Hanaka said.

Dan Adair, gener-

al manager of the Novi Golfsmith, said club fitting is what separates the franchise from other retailers.

"We think it will be very successful for the customer," Adair said of all the store's options.

As a result of moving into a bigger store, the business also is in the process of hiring more employees and should top out in the upper 30s.

Adair said the move from Northville was seamless, and was glad to open the doors prior to Father's Day on June 17.

"Father's Day in the golf business is bigger than Christmas," he said.

Golfsmith is located at 43135 Crescent Blvd. and the company's website is www.golfsmith.com.

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No immediate work on tap for McDonald Ford site

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Jeff and Terry Snyder of Northville own the site on which the former McDonald Ford dealership, recently demolished, sat.

"At this time, there are no plans whatsoever," Jeff Snyder said June 4 of site development. By fall, the couple will seek a developer.

"There won't be any heavy industrial use," said Snyder, who sits on the Northville Planning Commission. He and Terry live nearby.

He's served on the Planning Commission a year and a half and formed Main-Seven, LLC with his wife to develop the property. The couple owns a local masonry company, MASONPRO, as well, which is nearby but not contiguous to the McDonald property.

The couple acquired the

McDonald property in January 2012. "Whatever it is, to fit in the neighborhood and community," he said. "We're just focusing on the property on South Main" where Seven Mile curves into Main."

There was also an old Chevrolet dealer site there, with Main-Seven, LLC having 3.436 acres total of business property, according to city hall records. The Snyders have owned the local masonry business about 25 years.

"I don't believe he has any plans yet for the site," said Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan.

The city's Master Plan update in May 2008 for that area noted:

- high quality architecture and urban design are recommended;
- cultural significance of properties and assessment of historic structures should be considered in redevelopment;

- importance of historic structures should be considered;

- architecture should be compatible with historic structures and existing neighborhood areas.

"The former McDonald Ford site is a prime piece of real estate with redevelopment opportunities," the report noted then. The area's also an important entryway to Northville, it added.

The update cited preferred mixed use/planned development that may include single use development or a mixture of residential, retail or office uses.

A setback of 20-25 feet from the right of way is recommended. Building height should not exceed two stories commercial, three stories mixed use, or two and a half residential, according to the report.

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NORTHVILLE BUSINESS BRIEFS


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Community Financial Credit Union is inviting local residents to protect confidential information and shred their documents at the credit union's free shredding events on Saturday, June 9. The shredding events are being hosted in partnership with Iron Mountain, the world's leading provider of secure information destruction. The Iron Mountain trucks will be in Community Financial's branch parking lots from 2-4:30 p.m. at 6355 N. Canton Center in Canton and 23890 Novi Road in Novi.


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OUR VIEWS

Honoring Heidi

Educator left a legacy in schools, community

Heidi Capraro spent 20 years educating children in the Northville Public School district, from teaching at Meads Mill Middle School to Cooke and then Hillside Middle School where she was also the assistant principal.

And she'd still be impacting students' lives if cancer hadn't stolen hers last November.

As her colleagues, like Jim Cracraft, Hillside's principal, will attest: She was the embodiment of what every educator should be, striving for excellence in the classroom and providing leadership outside of it. So much so, in fact, that she earned the state and national Presidential Award Winner for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching and was the 2004-05 Michigan Teacher of the Year.

A quiet celebration of her life was held at Hillside for staff and friends. But because she touched so many families in our community, it's been decided to honor her contributions in a way that will continue to inspire educators and students.

The dedication of Heidi's Garden at Hillside will take place at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 12. This memorial was made possible by one of those families she touched, the Gertleys, as well as Hillside PTSA, staff and students. The school's choir will sing and examples of students' works will be displayed. Soon the garden entrance walls will be adorned with a plaque and many of the awards Heidi Capraro achieved in her career.

Former students and families are invited to attend this respectful and solemn dedication to remember her for her warmth and caring for our children and her great many accomplishments as an educator. Attendees should plan to gather in the courtyard on the south side of Hillside. (The best way to find the courtyard from inside is to go to the pool and the doors are on the left of the pool area.)

"A garden is an appropriate memorial for her as she put great effort as a teacher and leader into the Hillside grounds," said Cracraft. "Both Heidi and I were always inspired by the quote from Floyd Starr that 'beauty is the silent teacher' and that our youth learn better in a place surrounded by nature and gardens. Her efforts to make the Hillside woodlands and reclaim the courtyards and grounds as resources of learning and teaching have transformed our campus."

If Heidi was part of your life, or even if you want to help celebrate an outstanding educator's legacy, donations are being accepted to fund benches, a table and plants for the garden. Make the donation payable to Hillside Middle School and note "Heidi's Garden" (mail to HMS, 775 N. Center, Northville, MI 48167). Jean Gertley, an HMS parent, and students and staff are donating their labor for the project.

Another HMS family, the Brandts (Heidi's sister and father), is establishing a fund for an annual scholarship to go to an eighth-grader who shows promise in science, as selected by the HMS science department and family members. (Donations are being accepted for the scholarship fund and checks can be made payable to HMS Heidi Capraro Scholarship Fund.) The Brandt Family has also approved monetary gifts for a promising music student to help defray the costs of summer camp each year to capture two of Heidi's passions – middle school science and arts.

"Many sincere thanks and appreciation go to the HMS staff and HMS families who have put thought and effort into remembering Heidi," said Cracraft. "We are hopeful this event will help many of you bring some closure to the grief and sadness that goes along with the loss of someone we care deeply about and is taken from us too soon."



Heidi Capraro

COMMUNITY VOICE

We asked graduating Northville High seniors: "What advice do you have for the remaining underclassmen?"



"Not to blow off your senior year. Don't throw your life away and enjoy yourself too much."

Patrick Kornmeyer
Northville



"Just enjoy being an upperclassman. It only gets better with the years."

Christian Morgan
Northville



"Don't procrastinate anything, and get those college applications in early."

Leann Dimitroff
Northville



"Listen to your gut instincts and be yourself. And don't slack off."

Sonia Prabhu
Northville

LETTERS

Catholic Church and the Constitution

Thank you, Jeff Schubert, for quoting the Constitution in your misguided attack on what the government is supposed to do regarding religion. "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." It doesn't mean that we are all supposed to follow the beliefs of Catholics, Muslims, Hindu, snake charmers, or any other religion. It means that you are free to follow whatever beliefs you choose, and everyone else, including Congress and the government, is free to ignore your beliefs. You have freedom of religion, and everyone else has freedom from your religion.

The biggest problem the hierarchy of the Catholic Church has regarding birth control is that they can't get the conscience of the flock to mesh with theirs, since 98 percent of Catholics use or have used birth control. Following the sad news in this country and throughout much of the world, when the Catholic celibate men of conscience do have sex, it is often with children or those of the same sex, and they have no need for birth control. Their actions and the tragic attempts by some in control to hide and cover up these deeds hardly puts the Catholic Church in a position to dictate what non-Catholics do, much less on the basis of conscience. If you don't want to eat pizza, don't eat pizza. If you don't want to use birth control, don't – but do not think you can create a moral right to deny anyone else access.

No matter what your political persuasion, there are religious Neanderthals galore who will object on any moral grounds you can think of to just about anything . . . but the rest of us cannot and should not, according to the Constitution, be compelled to comply.

Steve Lawrence
Northville

Well area restoration

Northville's Beautification Commission has spearheaded a restoration of the historic spring well area on East Main Street next to the Chamber of Commerce. The goal is to create an attractive entrance into downtown Northville and welcome walkers, runners and cyclists. With the help of volunteers from Rotary Club, Starbucks, Ward Church and Beautification members and husbands, clean-up was launched Saturday, May 19. Thirty volunteers cut and trimmed trees raked up stones, hauled away debris, dug up sod, planted annuals and created a stone walkway to the bench.

A professional landscape design donated by Randal R. Kuznicki of R. Richard Landscape Design guides the project which will eventually include trees and perennials. A special feature will be a sign in honor of the site's history as a railroad stop for passengers to refresh themselves from the artesian spring well where the gazebo now stands.

Thank you to all participants for their time, labor and willing energy. A special thanks goes to Jim Gallogly, DPW director and Rotarian, who along with his crew provided leaf compost and hauled away the huge piles of debris. He has been an

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invaluable resource and also plans to complete a cement platform in front of the gazebo later in the summer.

The Beautification Commission and Rotary will be setting follow up work dates in June to continue clean up and planting. Anyone who wishes to help can call (248) 347-1078 to find out dates and times. Contributions to donate a tree or others items are welcome and can be made to Northville Rotary Foundation, 200 E. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

Diane Pittaway and Donna Moak

Project coordinators

Township residents: Pick Nix Aug. 7

Northville Township voters need to do their part this year. Bob Nix -- chair of the Northville Township Planning Commission, a 26-year resident of the township with his wife, Sue, professor of real estate law at Wayne State and a partner of Kerr, Russell and Weber in Detroit specializing in commercial real estate law and finance -- is running for township supervisor in the primary on Tuesday, Aug. 7.

Bob cares about preserving Northville's sense of community in the face of the future growth both in population (projections are for a 20-percent population increase from the current 28,000 residents to 35,000 people) and in large parcels of land such as the Seven Mile Road Master Plan, the development of the Five Mile Corridor, and the Scott Prison and Our Lady of Providence properties.

Bob has a passion for Northville and is part of a grassroots campaign to lead the township for the next four years. He doesn't aspire to higher office. Bob is honest, hard-working, intelligent and will listen to his constituents and encourage the board of trustees to make thoughtful, transparent plans within budget for the townships betterment. Bob is a proven consensus builder. For more information go to www.bobnixforus-pervisor.com.

Township residents are lucky they live in this picturesque area with outstanding schools and access to high quality medical care. In return, they have a responsibility to educate themselves about all Aug. 7 candidates for supervisor, clerk, treasurer and trustee to register to vote (deadline is July 7) at the township offices with Clerk Sue Hillebrand and to vote

on Tuesday, Aug. 7 or by absentee ballot.

Please pick Bob Nix for Northville Township supervisor Tuesday, Aug. 7,
Jim and Martha Nield
Northville

Obama's spending

In last week's edition, Mitch Smith commented that spending only increased 1.4 percent in 2011 compared to 2010. The source for the increase was a Wall Street Journal – Market Watch column (no date or columnist name). I have listed government spending from 2008 to 2011 according to "usgovernmentspending.com" website which indicates a growth in spending of 4.25 percent not 1.4 percent.

2008: \$2.982 trillion
2009: \$3.518 trillion
2010: \$3.456 trillion
2011: \$3.603 trillion
2012: \$3.796 trillion (projected)

If you compare President Obama's 2011 spending to President Bush's 2008 spending you have an increase of nearly 21 percent. In fairness to President Obama we will accept the stimulus package as the reason for the increase in 2009. My question is, what is the excuse for 2010 through 2012 spending increases when there was no stimulus package? The voters will have to decide the answer in November.

Edmund P. Shaheen
Novi

Republicans in reverse

The editorial ("Buckle up on roads") on seat belt use was right on target. The Click It or Ticket campaign just makes good sense in saving lives. The 9,013 tickets written last year at \$65 per (that's over \$550,000) is also something to think about.

What makes no sense at all is that now in Michigan motorcycle riders can ride on the same roads without a helmet. That means they have virtually no safety protection at all while those driving cars that already have safety glass and steel doors and air bags around them must also secure themselves with a seat belt or pay a fine. The law mandating helmet use had been in effect (over 30 years) longer than some of the motorcycle riders have even been alive.

One might ask how our Legislature and Gov. Snyder could do such a dumb thing. They said it was about individual choice, but what about the freedom of choice for auto drivers? Or is about something else? How did they get the insurance lobby to go along? Perhaps the \$35 per vehicle increase taking effect next month for the mandated catastrophic injury coverage is the answer. Perhaps the increase of auto insurance is to offset the soon to follow increase in catastrophic injury of those who choose to be reckless. Or perhaps the increase could be what they have sought to get voters to give up the catastrophic injury coverage (also in effect and working for over 30 years) using one to kill the other. Voters said no some 10 years ago when we last had a GOP majority running our state and they tried to take it then. One thing for sure with Republicans in charge, they have the state in R and we are definitely backing up.

Chuck Tindall

Novi, candidate for state Rep.
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Illicit prescription drug use exploding

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Correspondent

The Drug Enforcement Agency, in conjunction with the Brighton Center for Recovery, recently gave a presentation at Hillside Middle School that highlighted the growing epidemic of illicit prescription drug use among teenagers and young adults.

Joseph Rannazzisi, deputy assistant administrator for Office of Diversion Control, U.S. DEA, said illegal use of opiates and prescriptions are killing the country's youth.

The presentation, which was also sponsored by St. John Providence Hospital and Northville Youth Assistance, was held in the evening with over 50 people attending.

He said a "perfect storm" has been created because pills like vicodin and oxycontin have been over prescribed, as well as illegally obtained, on a wider scale. He said for teenagers to get their hands on them it's sometimes as easy as opening the bathroom medicine cabinet.

According to Scott Masi, a referral/outreach spe-



Drug Enforcement Agency Deputy Assistant Administrator Joe Rannazzisi addresses a gathering at Hillside Middle School on April 18 about "National Trends and Deterrent Strategies for Opiates."

cialist at Brighton Hospital, the main focus in presenting the information was to highlight the epidemic proportions that adolescents (school age) and young adults (18-25 years old) are being exposed to prescription opiates. He said many times this pill use can in turn lead to heroin use over time.

He said this is epidemic also highlighted by a collapsing timeframe to addiction which, coupled with the young developing brain and exposure to the powerful prescriptions, can manifest into addiction in as little as a few months.

Masi said one of the alarming indicators in today's world is the indifference exhibited by both youth and parents to the perceived risk of prescription medication.

He cited statistics that state close to 80 percent of prescription meds used non-medically are obtained from a friend or relative.

The latest Center for



An audience at Hillside Middle School listens in to DEA agent Joe Rannazzisi's talk about drug abuse trends in Michigan.

Disease Control data from 2010 indicates 15,000 people died from Rx painkillers, which is an average of 40 people per day. Masi said this is now greater than both heroin and cocaine overdoses combined.

Masi said enough Rx painkillers were prescribed

in 2010 to medicate every American adult around the clock for a month.

Both speakers said education on these subjects should become more of a priority. They also said proper disposal of prescribed medications that are no longer used should be followed.

Rannazzisi said bringing awareness to the situation and its impact should be the first step in countering these growing problems among today's youth.

For anyone interested, Masi can be contacted at Scott.Masi@stjohn.org or by telephone at (810)220-1818.

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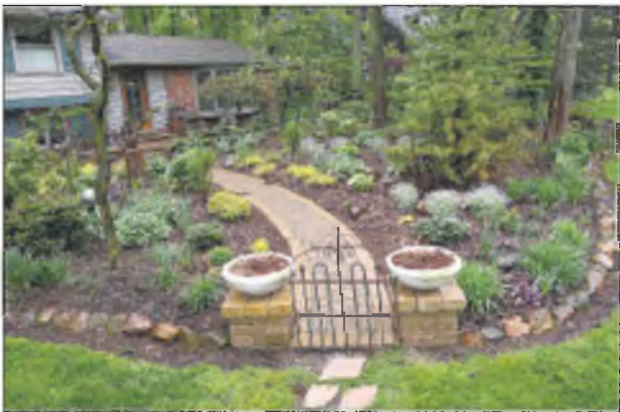
By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

“All Gardens Great and Small” is the theme for the Garden Walk of the Gardeners of Northville & Novi (The No-No’s). This year’s event is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 16, based at the Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St., and self-guided.

The garden club is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, said Barbara Krabbenbos of Livonia, handling publicity for the event, which is held every other year. The club supports Art House garden beds as well as the butterfly farm at Maybury State Park.

Participants on June 16 will enjoy a tour of four gardens in Northville and four in Novi. They’re clustered together; Krabbenbos noted, which will make touring easier.

“It varies from year to year,” she said of attendance. “I hope we have a lot of interest. Each garden is really unique.” Organizers like to recognize gardeners’ hard



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Sue Taylor’s Northville Township home.

work. Sue Taylor of Northville Township is founder of the Northville Art House and will have her family home on the walk. A glass blowing studio from Ypsilanti will be displayed during the event, with sales to benefit the Art House.

Taylor and her husband have had their garden in the event before. “The yard has changed enough,” she said. “It was fun.”

The garden club meets at the Art House and Taylor wants to support

them. She said she and her husband have done a lot of work on their garden.

The garden walk will include vendors, refreshments, a 50-50 raffle, free used garden and recipe books and access to the Northville Art House.

Tickets at \$10 (cash or check) may be purchased in advance and also on the day of the walk at:

- The Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street (located behind the Northville post office)
- Gardenviews, Northville (East Main Street,

downtown Northville)

- Dry Cleaning Shoppe, Northville (Custard Time Plaza at 7 Mile, west of South Main Street)

- Wild Birds Unlimited, 47760 Grand River, Novi (West Market Square Shopping Center, on Grand River Avenue, west of Beck Road)
- Backyard Birds, Plymouth (627 S. Main Street, downtown Plymouth).

Those attending are asked not to bring strollers or wagons. Public restrooms will be available at the Northville Art House. It is a rain or shine event.

The club, part of the Michigan Garden Clubs Inc., hosts monthly speakers. Members also give nonperishable and canned goods to the food banks of Northville Civic Concern and also the Novi Food Bank.

New members are welcome. For more information, visit the club’s website: <http://gardeners-northville-novi.org>.

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Northville Township resident Sue Taylor’s garden features a small stream and pond. The home’s garden will be part of the June Garden Walk. Taylor has been working nonstop on the garden since beginning residence there 15 years ago.

LOCAL GARDEN WALK

The eight gardens are:
22618 Brook Forest, Novi, “Everything’s Coming Up Roses”
22605 Brook Forest, Novi, “Family Treasures”
22658 Heatherbrae, Novi, “Where the Wild Things Are”
22636 Heatherbrae, Novi, “A

Rose By Any Name”
350 Wing, Northville, “Magnificent Sanctuary”
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At the start of Northville High's Senior All Night Party a trio of friends strikes a fierce pose for the camera of Shelby Minick. From left: Eric Karinen, Yara Moussaed, and Charlotte Peters.

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Lauren Petty puts the finishing touches on a cake at Northville High's Senior All Night Party. Part of the night's activities included an "Ace of Cakes" style cake baking and decorating contest.



Northville High class of 2012 member Michael Bojovic tries his hand at an "Angry Birds"-like game during his Senior All Night Party. The party was made possible by the financial support of the kids' parents and local businesses. Lots of food and give-aways were donated, too, and parents puts in hundreds of hours over the year planning the night. About a hundred parents, too, stayed at the school through the night to make sure their recent graduates would have a safe and fun start to their summers.

PHOTOS AVAILABLE

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Northville's All Night Party featured a casino for the new graduates to experience.

Senior All Night Party



This year's theme for Northville High's Senior All Night Party was "iGrad" — with lots of references to smart phones and applications.



Students play a "Cash Cab" game with some parent volunteers.

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Hair-raising event at Utopia Salon June 12

Lily Oles, a fourth-grader at Ridge Wood Elementary School, is championing for children with medical hair loss. She will be cutting her hair on June 12 to donate to a Michigan organization called Children with Hairloss.

Oles is partnering with Utopia Salon & Spa in Northville and Christoph's ALL Stars to make this an awareness raising event and invites others to join her. Utopia Salon once again graciously agreed to host the event and do all the cutting and styling for free. Tita Daskal and Kelly Sesi, Utopia owners, are excited to have the opportunity to help children who suffer from hairloss.

"We understand how much hair can do for the self-esteem of young people."

Christoph's ALL Stars, a local non-profit dedicated to funding childhood cancer research



Lily Oles

and providing comfort to children during cancer treatment, has offered a matching program. For every person who donates their hair, Christoph's ALL Stars will donate \$100 to Children with Hairloss.

According to Anita Bartschat, co-founder of Christoph's ALL Stars, "hair can be one of the most difficult things for a young patient to lose during cancer treatment. Since Children

with Hairloss does not charge recipients, they depend on fundraising and donations to cover the expense of creating wigs for children with medical hair loss."

Oles learned about the importance of hair donation last year when her friends organized a hair-raising event at Utopia. She thought it was a great way for kids to help other kids. Oles started growing her hair right away and now that it is long enough she is ready to share some.

Oles and some friends launched a campaign at Ridge Wood Elementary School to recruit others to donate their hair at the hair-raising event. They hung posters in the school and addressed the students through the morning broadcast, encouraging their peers to "share their hair" because "all it takes is eight to make a kids feel great."

Author, financial pro excited to be working close to home

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Scott Frush of Northville Township used to commute to work in Southfield. Since late March, he's been working on his own with his Frush Financial Group — complete with a 2.7-mile commute each way.

"No. 1, Southfield's very congested," said Frush, who'd been with Lincoln Financial Advisors. He's got a lot of Birmingham-Bloomfield clients and others, and is picking up Northville area clients.

He found commuting took up his time. "Anytime I'm in the car is just a waste of time."

Frush has written a number of books on investing, as well as several trivia books. He's a certified financial planner and chartered financial analyst. "It is a very strong designation, probably the top one in my field," he said of the latter.

Frush earned a bachelor's degree in business with a finance concentration from Eastern Michigan University in 1994. He's an M.B.A. graduate (class of 1999) from Notre Dame University, as well as a St. Agatha High School of Redford graduate.

Frush, 41, is married to Christina and dad to Gabriella, 5, and Ryan, 3. He's thrilled to be leasing office space from Lee Holland & Associates in Northville.

'Terrific decision'

"Everything about it is excellent. Terrific decision," said Frush, noting Holland has an accounting/investment background and others in the office are also helpful.

"I enjoy the restaurants here," he said, including Rebecca's, Poole's and others. He can meet at coffee shops like the Tuscan Cafe and The Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro with clients.

"The kids love it because of the doughnuts," he said of the Tuscan Cafe. "I just get coffee."

Frush has his 10th book out this year, with McGraw-Hill publishing his first hardcover, "The Strategic ETF Investor."

He wrote seven investing books, and three on trivia "that I wrote for fun." He self-published his first financial book, with the rest from McGraw-Hill. "It got my foot in the door with McGraw-Hill," he said of the first financial book. "I believe everyone has at least one if not



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville financial adviser Scott Frush has recently authored the book "The Strategic ETF investor." ETF stands for "exchanged traded funds."

multiple books inside them."

The trivia books are self-published and include Catholic and Italian trivia, as well as a forthcoming one on Wall Street trivia.

"I just do it when I have the time," he said of writing. He writes at lunch, when the kids are in bed, waiting for his hair to be cut and on the treadmill.

"I ask my wife to drive a lot of times. It works."

Series of books

In his books and work with clients, Frush demystifies exchange-traded funds. "ETFs are growing by leaps and bounds," he said. "Everyone's trying to get in on the business."

He recommends getting good professional advice on investing, a plan in your best interests and not created just to sell products.

Frush has started a blog, etfmarketwatch.com. He's also excited about "ETF Professor TV" videos he'll start showing online this summer on etfprofessor.tv.

Frush will also teach a class to undergraduates in business this fall at the University of Michigan-Flint.

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NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2012/13 BUDGET

Please take notice that on June 12, 2012 at 7:30 o'clock p.m. at Cooke School, 21200 Taft Road, Northville, Michigan, the Board of Education of the Northville Public Schools will hold public hearings to consider the district's proposed 2012/13 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2012/13 budget until after the public hearings. A copy of the proposed budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Business Office, 501 W. Main St., Northville, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

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Jim Mazurek
Secretary

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GEORGE, CHARLES A.

Age 90, a lifelong resident of Northville passed away peacefully on May 27, 2012. He was born on January 22, 1922 in Northville, Michigan to Charles and Lucy (nee Carpenter) George. Charles was a 1939 graduate of Plymouth High School. Charles was united in marriage to Barbara Rork on November 3, 1943; and they spent 68 loving years together until his death. He proudly served his country during WWII, as a Lieutenant with the Army Air Corp. He was a fighter pilot who flew in a P47, and was shot down three times; once returning to battle after his squadron snuck him out of the hospital in France because they never left anyone behind. Charles retired as a Supervisor with Michigan Bell after 38 years. He was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church; active in the Men's Club and serving as a Trustee for many years. He enjoyed spending time with his family, and especially loved the time he spent with them up north and at their cabin on the lake. Charles was a talented woodworker; he handcrafted his family something special every Christmas. He was an avid reader, who also enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing, and gardening. He was a terrific card player, and played a mean game of euchre. He is survived by his beloved wife Barbara J. George; his daughters, Karon (Steve) Farris, Kathy (Fred) Witt, and Wendy (John Zimmer) Brown; his sister Shirley (Richard) Given; his grandchildren, Jim (Shelley) Frisbie, John (Deea) Frisbie, Jennifer (Dave) Frances, Aaron (Melissa) Witt, Michelle (Jeremy) Tennant, Jason Brown, Julie (Steve) Bennett, Amy (Travis Laufenberg) Brown; and 11 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and 2 sisters. A funeral service was held Thursday, May 31, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church of Northville. Following the service he was buried at Rural Hill Cemetery where he received military honors. Memorial contributions can be made to First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

MUSSER, ALICE M.

Passed away at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Robert & Vera Musser on June 1, 2012 at the age of 98. She was born and raised in Lindenwood, Illinois. Alice was the devoted wife of Norris Musser for 37 years and the loving mother of three children. She is survived by her son Robert (Vera) Musser of Freehold, New Jersey, daughter Marilyn (Jack) Cook of Middlebury, Indiana, her sister Ruth Ippen of Davis Junction, Illinois, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Her husband, Norris, a son, Richard, two brothers, Clyde Alcock and Clifford Alcock and two sisters, Helen Hayenga and Marjorie Evans, preceded her in death. She graduated from St. Anthony Hospital School of Nursing. She was a homemaker and returned to work as a registered nurse at the Martin Luther Home in South Lyon, MI, when her children were in college. As an active member of the South Lyon First United Methodist Church, she was a member of United Methodist Women, taught Sunday School, organized the annual cookie sale and made handcrafted items for their bazaar. She also served as a docent and kept the scrapbook for the South Lyon Historical Society. Friends may call from 10-11 a.m. Saturday, June 9th at Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon, MI. Her funeral service will follow at 11 a.m. The Rev. Sondra Willobee of South Lyon First United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi, MI. Memorials may be given to the South Lyon United Methodist Church. Online Guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

SCHEUNEMANN, ABBIE

Age 94, passed away June 3, 2012. She was born on Nov. 12, 1917, in Livonia, to the late Fred and Mildred Melow. Abbie was born and raised on the family farm in Livonia located at 5 Mile and Levan. In 1956, she moved to South Lyon where she has resided for 56 years. Abbie was a very active and dedicated member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Northville. She enjoyed golfing and bowling and could often be found watching her favorite baseball team, the Detroit Tigers. Abbie is survived by her children: Ellen (Norman) Willis; grandchildren: Sarah (Drew) Seltz, Stephanie (Craig) Flood; and great-grandson Jackson. She was preceded in death by her husband Elmer in 1996. Visitation will be held on June 6, Wednesday, from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon. A funeral service will be held at June 7, Thursday, at 11:00 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 201 Elm Street, Northville. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

TETER, HAROLD E.

Age 98, of Salem Township, passed away June 3, 2012. He was born on May 13, 1914, in Wisconsin, son of the late George E. and Ruth (Smith) Teter. He is survived by his loving children: Margery Tegey, Eber (Sandra) Teter; his grandchildren: John (Anna) LaChance, Amy (Chris) Ege, Becky (John) Scurzo, Katie Teter and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife Earnestine and his second wife Jewel, his daughter Nancy LaChance and his brother John. Funeral service will be held on Thursday, June 7, at 11:00 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. Harold will be laid to rest in Salem-Walker Cemetery. Online Guestbook at: www.phillipsfuneral.com

VALLET, HELEN J.

Age 81, passed away May 27, 2012. Visitation was held at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. Funeral was at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Online Guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

May you find comfort in Family and Friends

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DRUGS

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ships and Wayne County Sheriff's Office and Michigan State Police.

Of the 25 plus stores visited, three store clerks provided the synthetic drug to undercover agents. At one location the store clerk produced the product, from below the counter, labeled "Space Cadet/Blueberry," and stated that "one hit will really mess you up."

Werth said within Northville Township boundaries there is only one location like this, but he said the seriousness of the issue is a shared problem with its neighboring communities so a concerted effort is needed.

He said they will now keep an eye on Lansing as lawmakers consider new legislation that would have the Michigan Department of Community Health in cooperation with the State Police analyzing the content of the herbal mixtures and reporting the findings.

The purchased substances CRT got its hands on were submitted to the Michigan State Police Crime Lab for testing and analysis, which determined that the tested substances did

not contain any "controlled substances."

Werth said although they may be technically legal, these untested and uncontrolled substances are 500 to 2,000 times stronger than the actual illicit substances that they mimic.

CRT stated that some people who are buying these substances and ingesting them believe that they are legal and safe; however, medical professionals are advising otherwise.

The CRT also stated many businesses and business owners are exploiting loopholes in Federal regulations and state laws and selling substances, primarily to young people, that are extremely harmful and dangerous.

Each of these locations and all other locations within the three communities will be served with letters asking them to immediately cease and desist possession, manufacture, distribution or sale of these compounds.

Any citizen who observes any of these products being displayed or sold at a store, is being asked report it to your local law enforcement agency.

For more information on this development, those interested can contact Sgt. Todd Seipenko (734) 397-0090, of the Community Response Team (CRT).

COUNCIL

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Projects bid awarded

In other council decisions, a professional services agreement was approved by the Northville City Council to have a firm from New Hudson assist in getting some important projects done in the next year.

By a 3-1 vote, council awarded a \$24,764 contract for professional services to Zeimet Wozniak & Associates of New Hudson, Michigan for the city's 2012 Capital Improvement projects.

Darga voted no on this because she believes the firm will not be able to do all of the work within the amount it bid for the project.

In May, the City of Northville received proposals for professional services needed to perform the final design and construction management for these projects.

According to Jim Gallogly, the city's Public Works director, this firm has designed numerous projects in the Detroit Metro area including the recent reconstruction of the Dunlap-Hutton Curve, which was successfully completed a few years back.

Gallogly said city staff believes that Zeimet Wozniak and Associates is very capable of undertaking the final design and construction management of these projects for the City of Northville.

These projects will include the East Street Water Main Replacement, Hillridge Drive Mill and Resurfacing, N. Ely Drive Mill and Resurfacing, S. Wing Street Mill and Resurfacing (W. Main Street to W. Cady Street), and the Fairbrook Street Mill and Resurfacing (S. Wing Street to S. Center Street) project.

According to Gallogly, the projects are proposed to be undertaken this fall and be completed in early spring 2013. He believes the selected firm can do the work. The projects are being funded under the recently approved 2013 fiscal year budget, which totals out to over \$560,000.

The city received proposals from six interested engineering firms wishing to be considered for the design and construction management of these projects. The range in fees, qualifications, and capacity of these firms is significant with Midwest Consulting and Enlow Engineering coming in with bids of \$62,000 and \$96,400. respectively.

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Help clear the Trail for a nicer ride

The Metro Trail needs your help for the upcoming official start of the summer riding season. Join the Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail for a trail work day from 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 6. The vegetation has grown rapidly along the trail this spring, so they'll be beating back the brush on the section between Hines Drive and Ann Arbor Road. Meet us on the trail or in the MDOT parking lot behind the Denny's restaurant on the north side of Ann Arbor Road east of I-275. Bring clippers, pruners, loppers, scythes, rakes, brooms and anything else that would be helpful for trimming the brush. Protective eyewear and work gloves are a good idea, as are pants and long-sleeved shirts as poison ivy is always a concern. Water and light snacks will be provided.

Cherished memories

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Electric vehicle show, rally at Schoolcraft

Schoolcraft College is hosting the Fourth Annual Electric Vehicle Show and Rally from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, June 9 on the college's main campus in Livonia, Haggerty Road between 6 and 7 Mile roads.

The event, free and open to the public, is an opportunity for the public to see this new breed of cars up-close, talk to the owners, and go for a short ride in an EV with the owner driving.

The vehicles on display include Ford Motor Company's Fusion, C-Max and Escape; Chevrolet Volt; Nissan's Leaf; a Tesla Roadster; Fisker Karma Eco Sport and Eco Chic; Toyota Prius and Wayne State University's EcoCAR 2 Team. Other vehicles on display will include Honda Civic Conversion, Chevy S10 Pick-UP Conversion, Escort Hybrid Conversion, Austin Healy Sprite and a wide variety of other gas-powered cars converted to electric, and those produced with EV kits.

Details on the Fourth Annual Electric Vehicle Show and Rally and the MEAA are available at www.michiganevshow.org/.

Author Bill Vlasic to speak at Northville Library

Bill Vlasic, author of Once Upon a Car: The Fall and Resurrection of America's Big Three Automakers – GM, Ford, and Chrysler, will be at the Northville District Library at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 13 for an evening of storytelling about his tale that reads like a corporate thriller. He will be available after the program for book signing and to answer questions.

Once Upon a Car, named one of the Library of Michigan's 2012 Notable Books, is a story of the "Big Three's" fight for survival in Detroit. Vlasic takes readers into the executive offices, assembly plants, and union halls to introduce a cast of memorable characters including the executives who struggled to save their companies but in the end had to seek a controversial, last-gasp rescue from the U.S. government.

Vlasic is currently the Detroit bureau chief for the *New York Times* and has covered the auto

West of Main



"Spiralfeeder" by J. Ritchie

The Northville Art House presents its fourth annual West of Center contemporary art, all media show, juried by Detroit artist and CEO of ©CPOP Gallery and executive director of Contra Projects, Tom Thewes. West of Center is a nod to the Art House's location, as well as its mission to bring the community something unexpected, edgy and compelling. It's an eclectic, contemporary art exhibit that showcases a wide range of accomplished pieces, including sculpture, acrylics, digital collage/archival prints, assemblages, mixed-media, pastels, oil on canvas, ink stamp, photography, graphite on paper and more. Forty-four artists from Michigan and out-of-state submitted work for this highly-anticipated, must-see exhibit, which runs through June 24. Opening reception refreshments are sponsored by Le George Mediterranean Bistro, which is located on Main Street in Downtown Northville.

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Mustangs lose heartbreaker to underdog Canton Chiefs

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

With pinpoint precision a towering 35-yard free kick by Canton's Gabby Epelman traveled over a wall of players into the top left corner of Northville's goal Saturday afternoon.

And with it, Epelman and her teammates stuck a pin in the top-ranked Mustangs' hopes of having a long, successful post-season — defeating Northville 3-2 in a Division 1 girls soccer district final.

Northville players built an early 2-0 lead, but could not protect it and dropped to their home turf in agony after losing

their only game of the season (finishing 17-1-4).

Meanwhile, the triumphant Chiefs mobbed each other almost in disbelief.

"I can't believe we just won," said Canton senior defender Robyn Mack, who tied the game 2-2 on a penalty kick late in the first half. "We were definitely the underdogs coming in, everyone knew it. "We had nothing to lose. They didn't expect us to win but we came out and won."

Also in the middle of the mob scene was Epelman, whose free kick from the right side of the field sailed over the outstretched fingertips of North-

ville senior goalkeeper Kiki Hilmer with just 8:05 left for the tie-breaker.

It was virtually identical to her free kick taken about five minutes earlier. That time, Hilmer jumped up to stop the first shot and dove to block a rebound scoring bid.

Epelman said that's what she tries to do, even in practice. If her deep shot is stopped, there's the chance teammates at least will get a chance to score.

"I try to play it back post to my forwards and midfielders," said Epelman, adding that she "felt on top of the world" when she saw the ball hit the mesh

inside the goal post.

Practice makes perfect

Also happy was Canton head coach Jeannine Reddy, whose team (15-2-3) now plays Dearborn 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Saline regional. It's Canton's second straight district title.

"She's great with those 30-40 yards on the outside free kicks, she always hits the back post anyway," Reddy noted. "At practice she sometimes hits those into the net, too."

"That's where we tell her to put it so whether either Robyn or Megan (Trapp) gets on it and it goes in I don't care."

Northville head coach Eric

Brucker tipped his cap to Epelman on the free kick.

"She shot it upper 90 from 35 yards out," Brucker said. "As much as I'd love to say it was somebody's fault the girl put a perfect placement in."

Brucker, who said his talented team led by eight seniors was "absolutely crushed" by the loss, added that poor play against "dead balls" directly led to the defeat.

"We talked about the fact we can't allow corners," Brucker emphasized. "Their first two goals one was straight off a corner and one was a penalty

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Northville celebrates its first of three goals against Novi on May 31.

PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Top-ranked Mustangs knock out Novi

Defending state champs' season ends, eight seniors graduating

By Chrls Jackett
Correspondent

A three-peat wasn't meant to be.

Novi's girls soccer team (11-3-5), ranked No. 9 in Division I, won't make a third-straight trip to the state final thanks to baseline rival and current No. 1-ranked Northville (17-0-4). The Mustangs handed the Wildcats a 3-1 loss in damp conditions May 31 at Northville during the district semifinals.

The "group of death" included four of Division I's top 14 teams, including No. 13 Canton (12-2-3) and No. 14 Plymouth (11-3-3) in the other semifinal, and it showed. After losing 1-0 on the road April 19 and tying 0-0 May 8 at home against the Mustangs, Northville put an end to Novi's efforts.

Jamie Cheslik got things going early as her shot deflected off Novi junior defender Kaylin Hoomaian and floated into the top right corner of the net just two minutes into the contest.

"Not a good way to start, but we responded very well by taking the ensuing kick-off down the field and scoring just 12 second after their goal," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said.

Novi answered back when junior Natalie Krygier fed a ball up the left side to streaking sophomore Kendall Kramer, who served a ball into the goal box from the left corner that junior Erin Dircks' one-timed out of the air into the goal just inside the back post.

Northville's Megan Buckingham settled a mis-cleared ball in the left end of Novi's goal box with nine minutes left in the half and carrier it to the goal line before threaded it between the left post and the hip of Novi senior netminder Sam Pavlika (12 shutouts on the season).

The 2-1 halftime lead would hold 'til late when the Wildcats pressured, even sending Pavlika 40 yards out of her net. But the gamble didn't pay off as Northville's Mallory Weber received a ball up

the left side and carried it in from just inside the half line to score on an empty net with 90 seconds remaining to seal a 3-1 victory.

"We had a few chances but could not convert," O'Leary said of the increased pressure during the final 15 minutes. "Then, with two minutes left, we got a corner kick, so we moved up all of our players inside the box and left our goalie at the 40 yard line. On the corner kick we got a head on the ball, but it was blocked by the goalie and the rebound shot of ours was blocked by a defender and the ball was cleared to Mallory Weber, who had a 60-yard breakaway against just the goalie."

The loss ended the high school careers for eight Novi seniors.

"Our senior all had great high school soccer careers," O'Leary said. "Every year we finished in the top 10 in Michigan and the last two years we were number one in Michigan."

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Mustang Gabbie Guibord, left, and Wildcat Kelli Timar both leap up for a ball during the teams' May 31 playoff game at Northville High. Northville won the game 3-1, in a rain-filled match that entered halftime with Northville leading 2-1.

Moynes takes fourth in state finals

Senior earns All-State in high jump

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Alex Moynes sure knows how to end her high school career on a high note.

The standout athlete recently became the only Northville athlete to place in the state finals as she cleared 5-feet-4-inches in the high jump to earn fourth place in the Division I competition. Her finish earned her the title of All-State.

"It was so nice for Alex to go out on a high note," said girls track coach Vincent Tyle. "She was not happy when she faulted out of the high jump but her track season is not over. She will be representing Michigan's top track athletes in the Midwest Meet of Champions this coming Saturday in Indiana."

Moynes was one of 13 athletes representing Northville at the finals last weekend. There were 11 girls and two boys in Mustangs' uniforms.

Lauren Rodriguez (the lone freshman at the Div. I finals in the 100- and 300-meter hurdles), Alexa Abbot, Gina McNamara, Rachel Coleman, Leah Bedrosian, Vanessa Cousino, Gracie Goble, Nicole Mosteller, Taleen Shahrigian and Erin Zimmer joined Moynes from the girls track squad while Brandon Love and Dan Sims represented the boys team.

Sims would have likely placed in the 1,600-meter event, but someone stepped on his foot in the first 200 meters of the race, causing him to lose his shoe. He still managed to run to 12th place.

"His performance was outstanding considering the mishap that occurred to him," said Northville boys coach Gordie McIntosh.

Pond leads Northville to district title

Squad defeats Canton for crown after defeating Salem in semifinals



Northville stopped the defending district champions, the Canton Chiefs, 8-1, for the title — Northville's third district championship in school history and the second under coach Kary Couchman.

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

There's not a person who has ever sat down and watched a softball game that wouldn't say that pitching makes all the difference.

For the Northville Mustangs, pitching has proven to be the key to victory all year long. It's kind of hard to defeat the Northville girls when you can't score very many runs.

That was the case again last week as Northville defeated Salem, 8-0, in the district semi-final game before upending the defending district champions, the Canton Chiefs, 8-1, for the title — Northville's third district championship in school history and the second under coach Kary Couchman.

Laura Pond, Northville's star hurler, threw a no hitter with eight strikeouts in the first game before allowing just three hits in the second game while whiffing five batters against a very talented Canton lineup. She did not walk a batter in either game.

The victories were helped along by a stellar defensive

effort headed up by Meredith Williams and Maggie Stewart. In total, Northville committed just one error over the two contests.

Against Salem, Northville followed the lead of Jen Buckingham (2-for-3, three runs scored), Micaela Petrucci (3-for-4) and Williams (2-for-3) as they earned the shutout win. They scored one in the first, two in the third, one in the fourth and two in the fifth before taking on the final two in the final inning of play.

The championship game, Northville went up 2-0 in the opening inning and then made it 4-0 in the third before putting it away in the sixth with four runs.

Petrucci had a single in the first inning to score two runners before Allie Chapekis cranked out a two-run homer in the third over the center field fence. Rachel Deacon had a RBI single in the sixth, followed by a RBI by Stewart before Williams cranked out a hit to center to score two runs.

Northville is now 26-11 on the year and plays at Novi High School against Walled Lake Northern this weekend.

Mustangs take eight in state finals

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs tennis team had a great day in Midland last week as they played against the best squads in the state in the MHSAA Division I finals.

The team, coached by Sandy Woolfall, took eighth place overall with 11 points and had two flights earn a trip to the semi-finals.

"I was pleased and

very proud of the way the girls played, especially since we didn't end up with the most favorable draws in a lot of the flights," said Woolfall.

"To stay in the top 10 with this young group of girls was such an accomplishment. We started with nine new girls, with only one player remaining in the same position as last season, and we were able to win three tournaments, both conference and regional titles, and finish in the top 10 in the state. I think we more than met any goals we set at the beginning of the year."

Earning a trip to the semifinals were Mackenzie Powers and Claudia Ma at first doubles as well as the No. 2 doubles team of Jordan Hermiz and Elizabeth Sakorafis.

In the No. 1 double flight, Powers and Ma won their first match against Ann Arbor Huron, 6-3, 6-3, and then defeated the third-seeded team from Troy, 6-4, 6-2. The team then ran into Clarkston, the No. 2 seeded team in the tourney, and fell, 7-6, 6-1. Clarkston went on to earn the state title in the flight.

"Mackenzie, a senior, has played all four years on varsity, winning a state title at fourth doubles as a freshman. This was her second time as a semi-finalist," said Woolfall. "Claudia is a freshman with such great potential. She is such a natural doubles player with such a powerful serve and volley. She'll be a great asset to the team for the next three years."

At second doubles, Hermiz and Sakorafis won their

first match against Saline, 7-5, 6-2, before defeating Holland West Ottawa, 7-5, 6-2. They fell in the semifinals to Port Huron Northern in a very tight three-set game, 5-7, 6-4, 6-3.

"Elizabeth made it to the semi-finals of states the last three seasons in three doubles and she's determined to come back next year and fight again for that state championship," said Woolfall. "Jordan, a freshman, shows great promise for the team in the next three years."

At No. 1 singles, Erin Doud won her first match over Churchill, 6-4, 6-4, and lost in the second round, 6-4, 7-5, to Grosse Pointe South. She will continue her career at Saginaw Valley State University next season.

No. 2 singles standout Danielle Romano lost in the opening match to the No. 4 seed from Grosse Pointe South, 6-1, 6-1 while Paige Baal at No. 3 singles fell to Ann Arbor Pioneer, 7-5, 6-4, in the opening round. At fourth singles, Alex Jeannotte won her first match over Grand Blanc, 6-0, 6-0, and then fell to the No. 1 seeded player from Port Huron Northern, 6-2, 6-0.

Chloe Paige and Nicole Khamis won their first match at No. 3 doubles with a win over Dearborn, 6-2, 6-3, but fell to Port Huron Northern, seeded No. 2, 6-2, 6-4. At No. 4 doubles, Val Trupiano and Shannon Williams won their first round against Romeo, 6-2, 6-2 and then fell to the No. 3 seed in the tournament, Ann Arbor Huron, 6-2, 3-6, 7-5.



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Northville upsets CC in lacrosse regional

Squad squeaks past crosstown rival Shamrocks in overtime

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

Greg Durham said last week that his squad uses Detroit Catholic Central as a measuring stick to how far the program has come over the past few years.

Well, following the Northville lacrosse victory over that measuring stick in overtime of the regional playoff tournament last week, it looks as though they will have to find a new way to gauge their progress.

"I am so proud of the boys," Durham said of the 10-9 overtime victory, the team's first victory over the Shamrocks in school history. "They really worked hard defensively for the past few weeks and everyone on the team has bought into our vision. During the game, we really persevered. We had some calls not go our way, but we never let them get to us."

Down by two with about



Northville's Connor Smith in a faceoff against Catholic Central.

five minutes left in the game, the Mustangs rallied and scored two goals, including the game-tying score from Joe Chase with about 1:30 left in the contest.

With 19 seconds left in the game, Catholic Central regained control of

the ball in the Northville defensive zone, but a quick play by Max Williams found him scrambling for the ball and running out the clock to force the overtime.

A great play by Connor Smith to win the faceoff helped Northville

gain momentum and they worked the ball around until it ended up on the stick of Jakob Kippola, who beat a defenseman on an inside roll and fired home a shot off a tough angle that ricocheted off the post and into the net for the victory. Kip-

pola ended the day with four goals and two assists while Nick Melucci had three assists, Chase had three goals and an assist, John Cooke had two goals and Max Grezlik had one goal.

"Beating CC is a milestone accomplishment,

but it's not the end-all," said Durham. "We have a chance to make history and beating Birmingham Seaholm (in the regional final) is the next step."

Joe Kim made 15 saves to preserve the victory in goal while Smith went 9-for-18 on face-offs.

Northville's golf season closes

Squad falls in tough district as Sarokin advances as an individual

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville Mustangs golf team had an up-and-down week — something that has been the story of the season.

The squad, coached by Jeff Balagna, took fourth in the KLAA Conference Championship last week with their best round of golf of the year only to turn around and bow out of the MHSAA district tournament a few days later with an off day.

"We really played well at the conference tournament," said Balagna. "I was very pleased with (Matt) Evasic, (Andrew) Sarokin and (Matt) Trumbore."

Evasic led his team to fourth place with a fourth-place individual showing and an even-par round of 72 while Sarokin and Trumbore both turned in 75s to tie for 12th place. Brad Minnear, a sophomore who has been filling in for the injured Todd Goebel, shot an 84 while Alec Latta turned in an 85 and Trevor Page an 86.

Northville finished with a 306 while Novi took first with a 295.

Evasic, Sarokin and Trumbore all finished with All-Conference honors.

The district tournament was a completely different story as the Mustangs missed out on all six qualifying positions as they played in cold, rainy and windy conditions. In the end, the scored turned in equaled Northville's worst round of golf on the season.

Sarokin, however, turned in a 78 to finish fourth overall and to qualify for the regional tournament as an individual with hopes of moving on to the state finals if he can finish in the top three out of individuals who's team doesn't qualify.

"Being just a sophomore, and his first year on varsity, Andrew has really had an outstanding year. He has consistently been our best player, and played the best in the biggest tournaments. Qualifying for regionals is a huge honor for him," said Balagna.

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Jaguars Invite champs



The Michigan Jaguars 98 Green team won the 2012 Jaguars Invitational Tournament on Mother's Day. The team went 2-0-1 in pool play and defeated FC Nova in the finals, 2-0. Team members include (from left, front) Brayden Stephan (Highland), Nick Harder (Novi), Joey Carn (Novi), Sam Sheeran (Novi), David Schulte (Novi), Kiah Finley (Holly), Alan Xiao (Novi); (back) Ammar Chishti (Canton), Brandon Sebou (Bloomfield Hills), Mason Accetturo (White Lake), Roland Gibson (Milford), Nate Giese (Novi), Val Qejvani (Livonia), Garret Weaver (Northville), Takaki Okamoto (Novi), and Matt Netter (Novi). Missing from the photo is Parker Neal. The team is coached by Mike Scobie.

Northville baseball dominates for district title

Mustangs outscore Salem, Churchill by a whopping 32-13

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

John Kostrzewa said at the beginning of the year that his biggest goal for the team was to be playing their best baseball at the right time.

After collecting a 9-7 victory over the Salem Rocks in a tough semi-final game in the district tournament last Saturday, the Mustangs played their best at the most opportune moment as they crushed Churchill in the district final, 23-6.

In the title tilt, Northville scored five in the top of the first and didn't look back as they drubbed the Chargers.

"It was a great way to start the game off," said Kostrzewa. "We really rose to the occasion offensively after struggling in the first two games (of the tournament)."

Northville and Churchill were scoreless in the second inning but the Mustangs put up 13 runs in the third to Churchill's four to make it an 18-6 game before

the Mustangs scored five more in the top of the fourth.

Earning the win on the mount was Jake Hansen, who allowed a two-run home run in the bottom of the first inning and pitched a clean second inning. Bobble Sable came in as relief and pitched the final two.

Connor Smith was 2-for-3 with four runs scored with a double and two RBIs while Matt Satterfield was 3-for-4 with a double, four runs, and a RBI. Brett Macdonald was 3-for-5 with a single, double, a home run and had scored three runs while Matt Stojkov was 3-for-4 with six RBIs, two singles, and a three-run homer. Jeff Gertley was 2-for-3 with a RBI and run scored and Brandon Patrone was 1-for-3 with two runs scored and two RBIs while Trevor Maresh was 2-for-4 with a RBI and two runs. Billy Mitchell was 1-for-1 with two walks, three runs and a RBI triple and Scott Matthews had a RBI double and scored twice.

In the game against Salem, Gertley picked up the win on the mound over 4½ innings while Hansen pitched the final 2½ in relief.

Northville had leads of 5-1 and 8-4 at different points in the game but had difficulty maintaining them.

"We struggled on the defensive end in the early and middle innings committing a couple errors that have been uncharacteristic of us that let Salem back in the game, but credit it the Salem team," said Kostrzewa. "They battled the entire game being down by four twice, but cutting it to one both times."

MacDonald reached base twice by being hit by pitches and he walked, had a double, scored a run and collected a RBI in the victory. Satterfield scored twice while Stojkov went 3-for-3 with a RBI and a run scored. Gertley went 3-for-4 with three RBIs and a run scored while Maresh was 2-for-5 with a run and two RBIs.

Northville rowing team competes in Ontario

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

The Northville rowing club competed in its first international event as it headed to London, Ontario for the 29th Annual Western Ontario Secondary Schools Championships.

The Northville teams did well against the 30 high school rowing clubs

that were mostly from Canada, Michigan and New York as they took two first place finishes, a second and a third out of the eight races they competed in.

The boy's junior four squad finished first with a time of 7:23.95 over the 2,000-meter race to earn a gold medal while the boy's junior eight squad took first in 6:46.16 in a

race that was neck-and-neck until the last few feet.

The girls' lightweight four squad took second in 8:36.09 to earn themselves a silver medal on the day while the boys junior lightweight four squad took third for a bronze in 7:43.98.

The event was the last race of the season for the Northville rowing club.

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Jaguars win TFA United Cup



The Michigan Jaguars 97 Boys White soccer team was crowned division champion at the TFA United Cup in Cincinnati the weekend of March 31. The team outscored its opponents 18-1, and won 2-1 in the championship game against a challenging Mockingbird Classic team from Louisville. Although the Michigan Jaguars FC is based in Novi, players on the U-15 team hail from several cities in the area — Lucas Albrecht (Canton), Torrin Bates (Whitmore Lake), Zachary Brokaw (Livonia), Connor Byrne (Walled Lake), David Chen, Jordan Klaus, Brendan ‘Rooney’ Paul, and Alan Rajkovic all from Novi, Sean Dallas (Northville), Kai Kurimura (West Bloomfield), Brandon Rogers and Jordan Stasch both from Commerce, Zach Sanders (South Lyon), Marc Wautelet (Milford), Chad Wind and John Wysocki (both Plymouth), and Sammy Zapata (Farmington Hills). The team is coached by Chris King.

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kick. The game-winning goal, a 35-yard-out dead ball. We talked about it, we worked on it. It bit us. That’s what happens.”

The Mustangs opened the match with confidence, beating Canton to 50/50 balls and putting pressure on Chiefs senior goalkeeper Danielle Schendel.

It only took 6:33 for Northville to get on the board. A 40-yard rocket by junior Gabbie Guibord beat Schendel inside the right post.

About eight minutes later, Schendel’s day came to a sudden close. Northville senior Mallory Weber made a slippery move through defenders around the top of the box, cutting in from the right side and blasting a low shot.

Schendel aggressively slid out to block it, but she inadvertently was kicked in the back of the neck on the play.

She was forced to leave the game, with junior Kaitlyn Jatczak taking over.

After Mack was called for knocking down a Northville player in the box, the Mustangs cashed in on a penalty kick with

15:35 left. Senior Sasha Gardner took one step and booted the ball past Jatczak into the left side of the goal.

Chiefs rally

That sequence seemed to fire the Chiefs up and they scored with 12:43 remaining in the half.

Sophomore Rachel Winters lifted a corner kick that senior Trapp — stationed near the left post — headed past Hilmer.

Then in the final four minutes, a brilliant block in front of the Canton goal by Winters kept the Chiefs down one goal.

Epelman also played a role in the equalizer. Her direct kick into the Northville box led to a penalty kick as Trapp was tripped up trying to field it.

Mack took the ensuing PK. The initial try was stopped, but the ball caromed right back to Mack, who chipped a low shot inside the right post.

“I didn’t think that foul back there (against her) was a penalty kick, so I definitely had to get some redemption,” Mack noted. “I’m glad I got the goal for the team, because we needed it and it shifted the momentum toward us.”

After the game, Mack chuckled because she

didn’t know if second shots on penalty kicks were permitted.

“I didn’t know if I could play it,” she continued. “I just kicked it in case the play did count. I just kicked it, hopefully it didn’t go over (wide) and luckily it did go in the net. So I was happy.”

In the second half, the Chiefs came out with more bounce and played defense in waves to stymie the Mustangs.

“We just basically told them to play more composed, talk to each other and step to the ball,” Reddy said. “And they did all those things.”

Jatczak came up big when she had to and just about everybody came back to clear the ball out of trouble. Standouts included Mack, Trapp, Winters and senior Ally Krause.

Of course, the Epelman goal topped it all off.

“To get out of this district was the biggest test, I think,” Reddy said. “I’m not going to say it’s going to be easy (at regionals), but with four state-ranked teams in one district I give (the Chiefs) a lot of credit for getting out.”

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Four-year varsity members Kelli Timar and Katie Rudzinski went 71-8-11 as Wildcats, three-year varsity student-athletes Katie Seelenbinder and Jessica Jarvis went 54-5-9 and two-year varsity seniors Shelly Yusko, Andrea Rybicki and Lauren Pollard went 33-3-7. Pavlika was the lone one-

year varsity senior, transferring from Temperance Bedford last year.

“(Pavlika) was a huge reason we only gave up nine goals this season – the third lowest total in Novi girls soccer history – and she finished with 12 shutouts and a 0.47 goals against average,” O’Leary said. “Most importantly, all eight of them are great people that play for the team and care of the team more

than any of their own individual accomplishments.

“Their average GPA is 3.7. All eight are going to major universities. Overall, no matter how many years they have been on the varsity team, they have all been a pleasure to coach and are all on their way to doing great things in this world and that is more important than any titles won or any win-loss record.”

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Novi's class of 2012 stands for the National Anthem.

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Catholic Central's 2012 graduation held at Hill Auditorium.



Detroit Catholic Central class of 2012 member Kyle Cooper was awarded the school's Whalen Award during the May 20 commencement. The award is given to the senior that best represents the school in an outstanding academic and athletic manner.



Novi grad Danika Rodrigues receives her diploma on June 2.



Northville High class of 2012 member Jeff Gertley graduates with his classmates on Sunday, June 3, at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.



Northville High's class of 2012 numbered a little less than 500 graduates.



The Convocation Center is pretty packed with Novi's 507 graduates and their family and friends on June 2.

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Novi High School Class of 2012

Jacob Ghassan Abbo
Christopher Abi-Assaf
Nikhil Adapa
Rebecca Lynn Agee
Shota Akazawa
Alejandro Albuerne
Giddiani Albuerne
Jessica Emil Ansara
Samantha Ansara
Aaron James Antilla
Tyler Justin Aranda
Chaitanya Atluri
Karla Ayala-Talavera
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Harrison Elijah Barnes
Lindsay Sara Barnhart
Alexander James Barry
Cortez D. Barton
Kendall Colleen Bauer
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Michael Jacob Benkarski
Ignas Bernotas
Emily Elizabeth Bielski
Jordan Alexander Blanchard
Conor Martin Boran
William Brady
Matthew Edward Brasil
Mikaela Jean Bray
Nicole Eve Bray
Sergio Brilanti-Martinez°
Jenna Britton
Justin Rhema Armani Brooks
Brittany Nicole Brown
Kendra Dae Brown
Alexander James Brusher
Elyse Christine Brusher
Sam Michael Buchin
Melanie Ann Bunio
Allison Paige Burke
Keyairra Dezaræ' Burkett
Kent Michael Burnett
Marcella Anne Caprara
Lance Joseph Caputo-Lilla
Erik Carlson
Ryan Joseph Carney
Luis Carrasco
Aditi Chadha
Abby Jean Chandler
Kimberly Elizabeth Channell
Lucia Chen
Rachna Chhaya
Raj Dhimant Chhaya
Subodh Chinthalapuri°
Logan Chio
Abigail Lauren Chiu
Teja Chivukula°
Andrew Cho
Derek James Cingel
Dayna Monique Clayton
Kyle Devin Clemmons
Alec Joseph Collins
Ryan Collins
Nicholas Robert Dagher
John George Damrath IV
Alexandra Floreale D'Annibale
Kassie Lee Darling
Cara Marie Davies
Alexander Michael Davis
Alexander Scott Davis
D'Mya Noel Davis
Kathryn Michelle Davis
Lauren Maria D'Cruz
Brenda Lyn DeGuzman
Alexandra DeLaCruz
Mathew Thomas Denny
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Taylor John DesOrmeau
Christopher Richard Diacono
Steven Tyler Dickmann
Parker Michael Dinu
Alex Ray Dixon
Austin Dixon
Jacob Mitchell Dobras
Natalie Alayna Doherty
Rachel Lynn Dombrowski
Rachael Lynn Dooley
Theresa Maria Drafta
Janell Ducker
Bailey Amber Durham
Joseph Louis Dworetzky
Meghan Dziewit
David Alexander Edwards
James David Eloff
Derek James Engebretson



A Novi High grad looks up in the stands at EMU for friends and family as the commencement begins on June 2. Novi's class of 2012 had 507 graduates total.



Like other members of the Novi High varsity baseball team Logan Regner had to walk in his June 2 graduation with his baseball uniform on under his gown as the Wildcats had a playoff game earlier that day.

Lance Christopher Engels
Katie Marie Enright
Dylan Matthew Fahoome
Mikaela Falsetti
Katalina Silerio Faraon
Jennifer Elizabeth Farless
Jacob Levi Faunce
Mary Katherine Favorite
Joshua Ryan Feight
Amelia Alexandra Feinstein
Dominique Nicole Felice
Kevin Peter Fernandes
Alexander Joseph Ferrini
Michelina Louise Ferrini
Katherine Anne Ferriss
Brenden Patrick Finnerty
Justine Ann Fischer
Tyra Simone Flax
Rachel Mary Fox



Novi High grads await the start of their June 2 commencement at EMU's Convocation Center.

Christopher Brent Fraser
Erik Michael Frasier
Benjamin Tyler Fudala
Margaret Elizabeth Gaffney
Nia Gamble
Eric Michael Gardner
Marco Stephon Garrett
Kyle Andrew Gassel
Tymon Martin Ghoujegli
Bethany Hope Gilchrist
Ryan Richard Goodcase
Rachel Michele Gracz
Stephen Anthony Grady
Christopher Paul Gresehover
Brianna Kristi Griesinger
Kathryn Michelle Groechel
Michael Ryan Gurney
Amanda Rachel Guttman
Abigail Grace Hall
Kevin Hanlon
David Jonathan Edward Harding
Luke Nathanael Mark Harding
Zachary Allan Hare
Ena Hariyoshi
Lesley Grace Harrington
Allison Marie Hartmus
Maddie Haustein
Nathan Haustein
Adam Benjamin Haynes
Sean Michael Hazen

Carly Healy
Shelby Rae Henley
Rena Hertrich
Curtis Richard Herzog
Nicole Hill
Angela Bajanowski Hoang
Bounlai Christopher Hocienec
Gary Madigan Hoen
Sandra Carol Hoffman
Jacob Hole
Jazzmine Christian Holland
Gi Hong
Anginae Janyse Hopkins
Eric Hopton
Julie Marie Hosley
Sarah Karimi Hosseini+
Angela Enjia Huang
Kylie Samantha Hurwitz
Derek William Ince
Fabian Hubert Israel
Joseph Michael Ivezaj
Jamal Kuron Jabbaar
Chase Logan Jabbori
Nathan Robert Jackson
Smanatha Lee Jahr
Ayushi Jain+
Jessica Marie Jarvis
Zoe Rhiannon Jenkins

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Diamond Madison receives her diploma.



Derek Ince receives his diploma.



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Novi class of 2012 graduate Katie Enright receives a smile and a handshake from Novi School District Superintendent Dr. Steven Matthews.

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL ALL ACADEMIC TOP 10

ALEX BRUSHER

Parents: Gerald Brusher and Elizabeth Wolfe-Brusher
Academic honors: National Merit Scholarship Finalist, AP Scholar with Honor, Stanford EPGY Program, Chemistry Olympiad District Runner-Up
Extra-curricular activities: varsity/club/ODP Soccer, marching band, concert band, Novi High School winter drumline, National Honor Society
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Career plans: I am currently undecided, but I am leaning towards a career in medicine and/or computer science.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My fifth and sixth grade LEAP teacher, Dr. (Katherine) Ellis. She not only encouraged me to pursue my passions, but also to enjoy the pursuit.
Most memorable high school moment: Winning MCG State Finals with the Novi High School winter drumline as a senior and section leader. I couldn't have asked for a better end to my Novi High School drumline career.



Alex Brusher



Lucia Chen



Alexander Davis



Kyle Gassel



Ena Hariyoshi



Daniel Lee



Jason Leung



Anthony Pan



Vivek Panyam



Andrew Thorwall

LUCIA CHEN

Parents: Yipeng Chen and Linda Weng
Academic honors: U.S. Presidential Scholar, WXYZ-TV Brightest & Best, National Merit Scholarship winner, Scholastic Gold Key in Novel Writing, summa cum laude
Extra-curricular activities: Creative Writing Club, Quiz Bowl, cross country, Novi Public Library Teen Advisory Board, Spanish Club, Princeton Review instructor/proctor, National Honor Society
Post-graduation plans: Yale University, to study the nation's most popular major – undecided
Career plans: Teacher, businesswoman, professional chocolate taster -- at this point in life, anything goes!
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Barely a week into eighth grade English class with Mrs. Turchi, I received the first bad essay grade in my life. As a cocky 13-year-old, I naturally chalked it up to "The Turchinator's" ruthless grading, refusing to believe that there was a problem with my own writing. But throughout the next nine months, Mrs. Turchi opened my eyes to the immeasurable power of the written word, and taught me the tools of language to express myself. She showed me that there is an infinite possibility of new ideas to explore and new things to learn.
Most memorable high school moment: It's hard to compete against opening my Yale acceptance letter, running my first 5K, acing one of O'Leary's legendary Calc BC tests, and unwittingly stumbling into detention while trying to find a Spanish Club meeting. But the high school moment that stands out the most is delivering the book and school supply donations I collected to the low-income students at Neinas Elemen-

tary. Seeing the smiles on the children's faces and recognizing the care and goodwill my classmates put into their donations moved me beyond words.

ALEXANDER M. DAVIS

Parents: John and Laura Davis
Academic honors: Honor Roll, AP Scholar, 2011 Academic All-State Division 1 baseball team
Extra-curricular activities: National Honor Society, varsity baseball, secretary of Spanish Club, S.A.D.D.
Post-graduation plans: study engineering at the University of Michigan
Career plans: mechanical engineer
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Mr. Timmer and Ms. Simon, my challenging and fun sixth grade teachers.
Most memorable high school moment: Mrs. Thomson's picnic in honor of our final seminar class.

KYLE GASSEL

Parents: Nancy Salisbury and Jay Gassel
Academic honors: summa cum laude, Honor Roll, Academic Letter, Phi Beta Kappa, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, AP Scholar with Honors
Extra-curricular activities: FIRST Robotics: electrical group leader, made it to World Championships every year; Boy Scouts Arrow of Light, Order of the Arrow, Patrol Leader, Life Scout; French Club member; Teen Advisory Board member
Post-graduation plans: Attending the Missouri University of Science and Technology, where I will major in electrical engineering. I will also be interning over the summer at Autoliv.
Career plans: I plan on putting my knowledge and skills to good use to create more efficient energy systems or possibly continue working at Autoliv to help improve auto safety.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: The person who influenced me the most in my high school career is my older brother.

He set a very high standard academically and influenced me to look into engineering when I wasn't very interested in it at the time.

Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was the FIRST Robotics world championships my freshman year. The trip was lots of fun, the excitement at the competition was contagious and the Atlanta Falcons' stadium was a great venue for it.

ENA HARIYOSHI

Parents: Ryu & Michie
Academic honors: summa cum laude, Honor Roll, Phi Beta Kappa, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, Science Department Award
Extra-curricular activities: band, Quiz Bowl
Post-graduation plans: engineering at UC Berkeley
Career plans: Some sort of a job, although I feel like I want to never stop being a student.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Everyone who set expectations for me to meet.
Most memorable high school moment: I feel like I remember performances with the band the most. One particular time I remember is commencement last year, and playing "Carmina Burana". And then getting on the bus back to the school, while outside the window you could see that year's graduating seniors in a big crowd, all celebrating with each other.

DANIEL LEE

Parents: Xinglei Guan & Kheng T. Lee
Academic honors: AP Scholar with Distinction, Honor Roll, KLAA Scholar Athlete
Extra-curricular activities: track and field, cross country, Science Olympiad, Detroit Symphony Orchestra Youth Ensemble
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan-Ann Arbor (engineering)
Career Plans: undecided, leaning towards computer or chemical engineering
Who has influenced you

most in your academic career and why: My grandpa for enlightening me to the many academic opportunities I have living in the U.S. now as opposed to his life in China.
Most memorable high school moment: Qualifying in the track state meet for the 3200 meter relay last year.

JASON LEUNG

Parents: Chun-Pong Leung; Ying Chen
Academic honors: AP Scholar with Distinction; National Merit Commended Scholar; Local Chemistry Olympiad Honorable Mention (2011)
Extra-curricular activities: Destination Imagination; Science Olympiad co-coordinator; Science Club vice president; tennis; Debate Club; Forensics Club; track
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in the College of Engineering
Career plans: I want to pursue a career in engineering, possibly computer engineering. My most ambitious goal would probably be creating a start-up company of something cool. I'll figure that out later.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents have influenced me the most in diversifying my studies and being well-rounded in all subject areas, but I feel like my Destination Imagination (DI) coaches have affected me the most in terms of my subjects of interest. I found my knack for problem solving from DI and from my DI coaches, who taught me how to approach problems at different angles and use concepts/materials in unique ways -- and in that way that applied to my interest in math and science (particularly physics and chemistry), in which I manipulate concepts to solve equations and derive new ones.
Most memorable high school moment: I would have to say prom. I loved going to the school dances during high school, and prom was when I had the most amazing time with the most awesome date.

It'll definitely be a night to remember.

ANTHONY PAN

Parents: Zen Chen and Jian Pan
Academic honors: National Merit Finalist, National AP Scholar, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence
Extra-curricular activities: French horn, piano, marching band, MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festivals, All-State Orchestra, Michigan Youth Arts Festival, volunteering at the Michigan New Century Chinese School, Nanowrimo
Post-graduation plans: University of Chicago
Career plans: undecided
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Myself; I've always done what I wanted to do.
Most memorable high school moment: All of senior year was amazing. Just to mention a few things -- Phantom Regiment, 3 a.m. walks, Michigan Youth Arts Festival, friends and family.

VIVEK PANYAM

Parents: Vidya and Venkat Panyam
Academic honors: summa cum laude, National Merit Finalist, AP Scholar with Distinction, Academic Honor Roll
Extra-curricular activities: president and Programming Group leader of FIRST Robotics Team Frog Force 503, Member of Science Club, Member of National Honor Society
Post-graduation plans: School of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Pennsylvania
Career plans: Get a PhD, work at Google, and then start my own tech company in the future.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents have always pushed me to do my best and reach for the stars. They have given me immense support in whatever I wanted to do and helped keep me on track whenever I strayed from my goals.
Most memorable high

school moment: Our first eliminations match against the top alliance in our division at the 2012 FIRST Robotics World Championship. We were highly competitive and it was great seeing all of our hard work pay off and our robot perform as well as it did.

ANDREW THORWALL

Parents: Jennifer Thorwall, Daniel Thorwall
Academic honors: Nation Merit Scholar Finalist, National AP Scholar
Extra-curricular activities: Science Olympiad
Post-graduation plans: Lots of sleeping and eating for three months. Then I'd like to study computer science and physics at the University of Michigan.
Career plans: I don't really have any idea. I think as long as my job is always changing and forcing me to think about new things, I'll be happy.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Bill Nye. He's always so excited about everything, and he has a way of making everybody else excited too. In elementary school, the teacher would be explaining a concept like sublimation, and everybody would be like, "Shut up and let me play with my cootie-catcher." Then she'd put on an episode of Bill Nye, where he says the same thing but with a cooler voice and a catchy theme song and a crazy bow tie and 50 pounds of dry ice, and everybody would be like, "SHUT UP -- I CAN'T HEAR BILL NYE!" It's a simple concept, but I think a lot of outwardly dull topics and ideas become incredibly interesting if you view them from the right angle. I think that's the only reason I've been academically successful.
Most memorable high school moment: In AP language I wrote a research paper about Pokémon and taped a little card on it that played the Pokémon theme song as you read it. I completely missed the point of the paper and did horribly on it, but it was certainly memorable.

Northville High School Class of 2012

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Ashley Elizabeth Adamczyk
Nickolas Jordan Adamowicz
Hassan M. Ahmad
Asef Naim Ahmed
Mitchell Badih Alameddine
Nicole Rene' Albrant
Avery Eloise Allman
Brian Joseph Alumbaugh
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Alexis Mariah Cook
Allyson Jean Coppock
Trevor Tennyson Corn
Daniel Scott Cowher
Hannah Grace Craik
Kathleen Renee Crowley
Rachel Anne Culbert
Blake Frederick Currie
Trent Stuart Currie
Adam Michael Curry
Andrew Patrick Damour
Rachel Louise Deacon
Paul Robert Dellock
John Charles DeSilva
Megh Sandip Dholakia
Lauren Michelle DiComo
LeAnn Elizabeth Dimitroff
Luke Anthony Dodge
Mckenzie Kaitlynn Donaldson
Ashley Lauren Dorfstatter
Miya Mackinzie Dotson
Erin Leigh Doud
Nicholas Gene Driver
Jennifer Lauren Dryer
Joshua David DuFresne
Jillian Aileen Dunn
Rosemary Olivia Dutfield-Willis
Kelsey Elizabeth Duvall
Ciaran Padraig Egan
Clare Ann Else
Leah Jane Erlandson
Marlena Joyce Falk
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Caitlin McCann Feltner
Michael Stephen Ferguson
Brandon James Fields
Matthew Joseph Fields
Marcus Frederick Finch
Connor Edward Flayer
Emily Michelle Foland
Gabrielle Marie Foland
Michael Joseph Forte
Brittney Rachele Fournier
Taji Thea-Dallys Fraser Totonji
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Cameron Patrick Freisen
Andrew McIntosh Fuller
Gianna Marie Galli
Emily Alexandra Gardner
Sarah Marie Garrity
Jeffrey Brian Gertley
Jared David Gill



Northville High's class of 2012 enters Compuware Arena for its commencement.

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Taylor Breault gets a hug from Principal Rob Watson.



Trevor Corn.



Michael Forte graduates from Northville High on June 3, 2012.

Matthew Robert Giordano
Alexandra Marie Gjonaj
Garrett Julius Glowacki
Griffin Connor Goble
Andrea Aveline Gonzales-Paul
Steven Benjamin Gonzalez
Benjamin Alexander Grant
Maxwell Thomas Grezlik
Nicholas Scott Grosz
Yuchen Guo
Margaret Dolan Haberstroh
Kayla Lynn Hagan
Charisa Ann Halboth
Aaron Michael Hall
Joshua Joseph Hall
Lisa Michelle Hamel
Julia Lynn Hamilton
Amanda Christine Hancock
Jacob Todd Hanson
Camyll Jannan Harajli
Matthew Glenn Harmon
Tyler Michael Harrigan
Andrew Richard Harris
Suzanne Louise Hasse
Tyler Egan Hastedt
Emily Ann Hatcher
Odai Fares Hattar
Rex Andres Heid
Kimberly Ann Heinonen
Shaun Robert Hetu

Jeffrey Thomas Hewlett
Hannah Renee Hoelscher
Alexander Michael Hoffman
Emma Lynn Holdaway
Allison Nicole Holden
Declan James Horton
Edward J. Houston
James Charles Howe
Patrick Xiabin Huang
John Armstrong Hubbard Jr.
Peter Charles Hubbard
Rachel Hur
Forrest William Ickes
Katelyn Marie Jakubowski
Samantha Jarrett
Rachael Maria Jarzembowski
Tamara Charlene Jayasuriya
Brandon Russell Jenkins
Jerry Alex John
Brandyn Tyler Johnson
Eric Warren Johnson
Kelly Ann Johnson
Sarah Jane Jones
Matthew Christopher Joseph
Natasha Danielle Jovanovski
Nicholas Ian Kaiser
Cierra Elisa Kalinovik
Emily Katherine Kallil
Alexander Frederick Kandah
Vaishali Kapila

Christina Elizabeth Karcher
Eric Stepan Karian
Eric Robert Karinen
Jillian Margaret Kastely
Hitomi Katsumi
Kyle J Keech
Emily DiRado Keenan
Erin Clare Keiffer
Emma Fay Kelly
Amanda Rose Kemmer
Christopher Kim
Gina Elizabeth Kim
Joseph Kim
Yuya Kimura
Delaney Katherine King
Jakob Ryan Kippola
Janine Katherine Kjolhede
Spencer James Knickerbocker
Spencer Anthony Koblinski
Patrick Ryan Kornmeyer
Adam Joseph Kowalski
Nicholas Matthew Krafft
Zoe Katherine Kremke
Cameron Michael Kubitskey
Noelle Alexandra Kuphal
Dawson Daniel Laabs
Nicholas Scott LaBurn
Caroline Marie LaFayette
Desiree' Marie LaMaster
Alec David Latta
Jzordon Alexander Diazge Lawrence
Mitchel Anthony Laybourn
Griffin James Leach
Krista Marie Learman
Bailey Elizabeth Lehman
Christopher James Leja
Michael Moufid Leon
Jason Sean Lerner
Erik Allan Libbe
Summer Leigh LoCicero
Michael Hanlin Loh
Shannon Elizabeth Lohman
Michael Christopher Lokey
Brandon Micah Love
Sara Nicole Lovelace
Dakota Brinn Lucas
Ashley Elizabeth Lynch
Brett Gerard MacDonald
Hallie Kay Mackson
Jessica Lu Manees
Trevor Alan Maresch
Matthew James Nathan Marilley
Kristen Marisa Marion
John Stoner Marmaduke

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A member of Northville High's class of 2012 takes a snapshot of his classmates after receiving his diploma on June 3.



Josephine Belen graduates on June 3.



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Bianca Massara graduates from Northville High on June 3, 2012.

NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL ALL ACADEMIC TOP 10

NICKOLAS ADAMOWICZ

Parents: Tony and Karry Adamowicz
Academic honors: ACT score 36, National Merit Finalist, U.S. Presidential Scholar Candidate, Regional Chemistry Olympiad Honorable Mention, numerous departmental awards, Phi Beta Kappa
Extra-curricular activities: National Honor Society, roller hockey, ice hockey, math and chemistry tutoring
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan School of Engineering, then pursuit of post graduate degrees
Career plans: a position within the chemical engineering or teaching fields
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Mr. Palmer, Mr. Silak, and Ms. Watkins because they made science engaging rather than a boring, direction-following centric experience
Most memorable high school moment: Riding Cedar Downs and having cowboy gunfights at Cedar Point for the physics trip.



Patrick Huang



Nick Adamowicz



Emily Rencsok



Sarah Wheatley



Alice Xu



Cayla Rhodes



Shannon Lohman



Michelle Mueller



Catherine Yang



Emma Hoidaway

EMMA HOLDAWAY

Parents: Dale and Kimberly Holdaway
Academic honors: summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, full tuition scholarship to Brigham Young University, Country Garden Club of Northville Branch of Woman's National Farm & Garden Association Scholarship, American Association of University Women Scholarship, Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics Award, President's Award for Educational Excellence
Extra-curricular activities: I am heavily involved with Northville's band, theater, and choir departments. I also play and teach classical piano, am the president of my church youth group, and am a member of both National Honor Society and the Novi Youth Council.
Post-graduation plans: I will be attending Brigham Young University in the fall where I plan to major in mathematics.
Career plans: I hope to become a secondary mathematics teacher after graduating from college. I also want to volunteer with the National Eating Disorder Association and help young girls everywhere overcome their eating disorders and develop positive self-esteem.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My dad has always pushed me to strive for excellence. He helped me set high academic goals for myself and encouraged me to do my best to obtain them. My dad was always very involved with my daily academic routine and would regularly check my grades and test scores to ensure that I was reaching my full potential. Most importantly, however, he taught me that honest, hard work is always worth the sacrifice and that knowing you did your best is the most sat-

isfying reward. I'm grateful for the lifelong work ethic and values he has instilled in me.
Most memorable high school moment: Theater has been a major part of my high school career, and I performed on Northville's stage for the last time this past April. I will never forget the sound of the cheering and applause as I took my final bow and ended a chapter of my life.

PATRICK HUANG

Parents: Yong Huang, Bo Wang
Academic Honors: summa cum laude, Presidential Scholar, AP Scholar with Distinction
Extra-curricular activities: Quiz Bowl, Science Olympiad, Spanish Club, National Honor Society
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan College of Engineering
Career plans: I plan to earn a graduate degree and possibly go into the field of research.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents have been most influential on my academic career. They have introduced me to many different professions and fields of study and have always supported me in every decision I have made.
Most memorable high school moment: Seeing Mr. Silak at Asian Buffet after taking the ACT.

SHANNON LOHMAN

Parents: Lynn and Nancy Lohman
Academic honors: NISCA/Speedo All-American Academics, University of Michigan Regents Scholarship, President's Award for Educational Excellence, Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, The University of Michigan Club of Greater Northville Scholarship, Susan and Kristen Warnke Memorial Scholarship, Academic Letter, Ford Endowed Scholarship
Extra-curricular activities: captain of the Northville High varsity swim team, varsity track and field, National Honors Society, French Honors Society, Bulldog Aquatic Swim Club,

volunteer at St. Mary's Mercy Hospital, lifeguard and swim instructor at Burton Hollow Swim Club
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan
Career plans: pharmacy
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents have influenced me the most in my academic career by continuously encouraging, supporting, and helping me strive to meet my goals.
Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was breaking the school and conference records in the 200 medley relay with my teammates at the KLAAs Conference meet my junior year.

MICHELLE MUELLER

Parents: Rick and Susan Mueller
Academic honors: National Merit Finalist, Academic All-State volleyball, Scholar Athlete, sigma cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, President's Award for Educational Excellence, German Honor Society
Extra-curricular activities: NHS varsity volleyball, club volleyball, National Honor Society
Post-graduation plans: Duke University to study biomedical engineering
Career plans: biomedical engineer
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents because they have been extremely supportive and encouraged me to always work hard.
Most memorable high school moment: Receiving my acceptance letter from Duke University, which was my first choice in colleges.

EMILY RENCSOK

Parents: Janet Rencsok and Brian Rencsok
Academic honors: Commended National Merit Scholar, Regional Chemistry Olympiad Qualifier, sigma cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, President's Award for Educational Excellence
Extra-curricular activities: piano, National Honors Society, Spanish Honors Society

Post-graduation plans: Johns Hopkins University to study biomedical engineering
Career plans: biomedical engineer
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents. Since they usually stayed out of the way of my schoolwork, they taught me to push myself rather than needing others to push me along and encourage me.
Most memorable high school moment: My calculator ran out of batteries during my Honors Algebra 2 final with Ms. Mikonczyk in my freshman year. She told us all to make sure our calculators had batteries the class before, and mine seemed fine. Then, for the first time, my calculator said that its batteries were low during the final, and then it died. I freaked out. Thanks for giving me more batteries anyway, Ms. Mikonczyk :)

CAYLA RHODES

Parents: Dan and Tawny Rhodes
Academic honors: National Merit Commended Scholar, AP Scholar, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, President's Award for Educational Excellence, various department award
Extra-curricular activities: acting president of Northville Interact, president of Spanish Honor Society, National Honor Society member, math tutor, piano lessons, Bridgepointe volunteer
Post-graduation plans: Northwestern University
Career plans: pediatric optometrist or a pediatrician
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My mom has been the biggest influence in my life in general, as well as in my academic career. My mom supports me in whatever I do, inspires me to have confidence in myself, and is always there with a helping hand. She has taught me many valuable lessons and has always been my role model.
Most memorable high school moment: It is hard to pick just one memorable moment from the past four

years. My volunteer work through Northville Interact and Bridgepointe has been a big part of my life throughout high school. In particular, helping at the Adopt-a-Family gift distribution around Christmas time was very rewarding. Another moment that stands out is the day I learned I was accepted to Northwestern University, my top-choice school.

SARAH WHEATLEY

Parents: Brett and Carol Wheatley
Academic honors: Department awards in science, english, math, business, language, social studies; National Honor Society; Spanish Honor Society; Phi Beta Cappa; President's Award for educational excellence; summa cum laude; academic letter
Extra-curricular activities: Literacy Council of Bonita Springs internship, Spanish Club officer, literacy volunteer at the Academy of the Americas, Sunday school teacher at FUMC Northville, Peer Ministry, Appalachia Service Project, symphonic and marching band
Post-graduation plans: Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.
Career plans: child development research, elementary education
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Jeff Lightfoot, my fifth grade teacher, and Chris Cronin, my AP English teacher senior year, have both had similar impacts on my academic career. From both teachers, I learned to write with honesty and voice. They also taught me that there is more to life than grades and encouraged me to have fun along the way.
Most memorable high school moment: I will always remember the past four years of making ridiculous videos for English class with my friends

ALICE XU

Parents: Jiafan Xu and Xiaowei Zhang
Academic honors: summa cum laude, National Merit Commended, Phi Beta Kappa, President's

Award for Educational Excellence
Extra-curricular activities: cross country, track, National Honors Society, Youth group, piano
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan, majoring in biology or chemistry
Career plans: going to medical school and becoming a pediatrician
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My mom influenced me the most because she encouraged me to love learning, and she always told me that it was the effort that mattered, not the grade.
Most memorable high school moment: Going to China for a mission trip and seeing what life is like for people who don't have nearly as much as I do. It was eye-opening, and it changed the way I viewed the privileges I had in my life.

CATHERINE YANG

Parents: Frank Yang and Nancy Huang
Academic Honors: National Merit Finalist, 2010 USA Biology Olympiad Semifinalist, Presidential Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa
Extra-curricular activities: NHS marching/symphonic/jazz bands, Detroit Metropolitan Youth Symphony (principal flute), University of Michigan youth band, teen volunteer at Providence Park Hospital, tutoring
Post-graduation plans: Attending University of Michigan Honors Program to study biology/neuroscience and economics.
Career plans: undecided
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents have influenced me the most because they have always pushed me to achieve my best, and they have instilled in me the meaning of hard work and dedication.
Most memorable high school moment: My most memorable high school moment was when our physics class went to Cedar Point. It was my first time riding rollercoasters, and I just had a blast with my friends and classmates.



Catholic Central class of 2012 member Benjamin Frost.



Class of 2012 member Dylan Neal.



Catholic Central class of 2012 member James S. Haubert addressed his class at the ceremony. He came away with the school's highest GPA for his class' four year tenure.

Detroit Catholic Central High School Class of 2012

Garrett Thomas Ahmad
Drake Daniel Ajlouny
Matthew Angel Alcaraz
Evan Robert Andreski
Andrew Elias Ansara III
Wade Matthew Antil
Robert Jay Ault
Christopher Bernard Bachert
Neal Paul Bachert
Evan James Badge
Christopher James Balmforth
Andrew James Bartlett
Alexander John Battle
Kevin Scott Beazley
Mark Anthony Becker
Clay Michael Behrman
Mitchell Andrew Belisle
Vernon Delaine Benjamin, Jr.
Charles David Berend
Justin Thomas Blair
Richard Beauvais Bloomfield
Christopher Douglas Bohrer
David Anthony Bossio
Ryan Peterson Boyd
Patrick Lewis Britz
Daniel Patrick Brumley
Michael Joseph Brzezinski
Shawn Michael Buzzy
Vlady Alexander Calice
Kyle Dimaguila Canavan
Dominic John Carlesimo
Joshua Edward Carolin
John Paul Carzon
Hamilton Alexander Cauffiel
Anthony John Chiara
Nicolas Raymond Ciccone
Daniel Lawrence Clarke
Patrick Joseph Collins
Zachery Tyler Colone
Jeffrey Michael Conflitti
Kyle Steven Cooper
Colin Joseph Cubr
Jacob Cyganowski
Nicholas Frederick D'Alessandro
Mitchell Thomas DeFrain
Vincenzo Antonio DeMaria
Clayton Michael DeWitt
Noah Thomas Diaz
Austin James Dillon
John Dinan Dillon
Michael Anthony DiMango, Jr.
Matthew David Doneth
Eric Thomas Dooley
John Michael Dooley
Robert John Dorigo Jones
John Michael Doyle III
Michael Charles Drouillard
David Joseph Dulzo
Spencer MacArthur Dunn
Evan Robert Ebaugh
Stephen Michael Ebaugh
Keegan Ryan Eckhout
Andrew Jay Edillo
Alexander Talamini Elenbaas
Joseph Frank Erdman
Dominic Raymond Etue
Thomas Joseph Fagan
Daniel Paul Farrugia
Collin Matthew Fifer
Zachary George Flowerday
Owen Jay Franks
Benjamin Curtis Frost
Paul John Gaecke
Stephen David Galindo
Kyle Michael Gaule
Connor Terrence Gibney
Mikas Paul Giedraitis
Nicholas John Edward Gingell
Domenico Assante Giovanni
Nolan Ryan Gluchowski
Jason Joseph Gluck
Matthew Jacob Godin
Alexander Nolan Goings
Adam James Goodsell
Ryan Joseph Goulet
Michael Bacon Govan
Matthew Peter Greene
Jaret Robert Grisamer
Christian Scott Guiboux
Eric John Guindi
Casey Michael Hagan
Peter Alan Halash
Joseph John Hanba
Brendan Michael Hannah
Eric Jacob Harding
Marshall Joseph Hart
James Steven Haubert
Steven John Haydon
Kevin Alan Hayes
Matthew Joseph Hermiz
Adam Emilio Hernandez
Aaron William Hess
Benedict Martinez Hilado
Thomas James Hildebrandt
Kevin Richard Hodges
Anthony Peter Jabbour
Steven Patrick Jakubik
Chase Dennis Janer
Jamal Tony Jasser



Members of CC's class of 2012 prepare for their May 20 graduation.

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A quartet of Shamrocks poses for a photo or two on the steps of Ann Arbor's Hill Auditorium moments after their 2012 commencement finished on May 20.



CC grad Justin Blair.

Zachary Fitzgerald Jennings
Gary Lynn Johnson
Evan Lawrence Joseph
Mark Kalaj
Tyler James Kates
Richard Charles Katkic
Jesse Jason Kato
Douglas Robert Kinney
Robert Harry Kitchen
Matthew Lee Kleinknecht
Rahul S. Kodali
Bryan Anthony Korona
Michael Robert Kovanda
Bernhardt Pederson Kowalkoski
Camron Conrad Kozar
Alexander James Kozlowski
Mark Edward Kremer
Robert Joseph Kress
Joseph R. Kristofik
Erik Jameson Kurcz
Evan Carl Kursa
Connor Antonio Lemko
Lucas Alexander-Ross Linville
Matthew John Hess Longe
Patrick John Luther
Brendan Michael Lynch
William Joseph Marino
David Nicholas Marnell III
Kevin Mark Marson
Nicholas James Mason
Brendan Patrick McClorey
Hunter Robert McDaniel
Connor Raymond McDonnell
Sean Patrick McGorisk
Nicholas Anthony McGovern
Nicholas Daniel McNallen
Matthew James Mengel
Daniel John Meyers
Nicholas Joseph Michels
Chad Michael Miles
Kevin Patrick Mills
Daniel Patrick Mixer
Brett Charles Mizzi
Alec Michael Mooradian



Chase Janes graduates from Catholic Central on May 20. Handing him the diploma is CC's Principal the Rev. Father John B. Huber.

Alexander Ryan Morton
Michael John Mosley
Michael Thomas Mullen
Nicholas Andrew Mychalowych
Christian A. Nadhir
Dylan Cooper Neal
David George Nietzke
Dane Nicholas Ninowski
Joshua Lustre Nosal
Emeka Steffan Nwagwu
Kenneth George O'Connor
Max Edward Olive
David Michael Oliver
Nickiel Andrew Pandya
Kevin Joseph Parker
Eric Paul Pavlov
Palmer Miles Pawlusiak
Anthony Michael Perelli
Gerald Joseph Perreault

Robert George Peterson III
Sean Thomas Philliben
Ian William Pierce
Michael Christopher Popiela
Anthony John Provagna
Justin Jeffrey Puccio
Kevin Pucheta
David Michael Racey
John Edward Rahill
Tyler Steven Reinke
Mitch Sinclair Reuter
Marcus Gerard Roos
Anthony Michael Roosen
Robert William Rotondo
Damon Michael Rotterdam
Trevor William Sabo
David Alan Salvatori
Dean Austin Sansovich
Michael Andrew Sartor
Daniel Patrick Savard
Aidan Christopher Schenkus
Steven Thomas Schmitt
Joseph Michael Schmitz
Michael Christopher Schultz
Dominic Luigi Scopone
Dominic Alvin Serini
Jay Nilesh Shah
Joseph Thomas Sheppard
Michael Anthony Shields
Christopher Enrico Shim
Ryan Patrick Shinkel
Derek Allen Simon
Ryan Alexander Skowronek
Austin Tyler Smarsh
Phillip Joseph Stark III
Joseph Donald Steele
Matthew James Stefan
Jake Edward Stepaniak
Giancarlo Francesco Sturla
Jeffery Daniel Sugg
Daniel Patrick Szuba
Andrew Paul Thompson

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DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL ALL ACADEMIC TOP 10

RICHARD BEAUVAIS BLOOMFIELD

Parents: Richard and Michelle
Academic honors: National Merit Finalist; Lawrence Technological University Award for Excellence in science and mathematics; National French Contest Medalist – one Silver and two Bronze; American Association of Teachers of French: Outstanding Senior in French Award; All-Catholic League Scholastic Award: Gold Medalist; Michigan Mathematics Prize Finalist; MHSAA-State Farm Scholar Athlete Award Nominee; MHSAA All-state Academic Wrestling
Extra-curricular activities: varsity wrestling; French Exchange Program; National Honor Society; school newspaper; Orchard United Methodist Church Mission Team; Rebuilding Together; engineering internship
Post-graduation plans: study engineering at the University of Notre Dame
Career plans: patent attorney
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: The person who has been most influential in my high school career is my wrestling coach, Mitch Hancock, because he taught me humility, commitment and perseverance. He pushed the team to excellence in all areas, in competition and in life. Despite our success, he never allowed arrogance or cockiness. He taught me that excessive pride in one's accomplishments only prevents one from reaching higher goals. Wrestling under Coach Hancock has also been one of the largest commitments of my life. It required total dedication and focus; cutting corners was impossible. Coach Hancock taught me that commitment to a goal is the only way to achieve success, and that those who shirk their responsibilities will fall behind in life. Finally, the most important thing I learned from Coach Hancock is perseverance, and that I can face adversity and endure even in bleak circumstances. Coach Hancock presented the wrestling team with intense mental and physical challenges daily, and I often found myself pushed beyond what I thought were my limits. However, enduring these harsh trials revealed that I can push through seemingly insurmountable obstacles, and accomplish anything. Because of Coach Hancock, I now know that with mental toughness I can overcome any adversity and achieve any goal.
Most memorable high school moment: Winning the 2012 MHSAA wrestling state championship with my team.

RYAN PETERSON BOYD

Parents: Daniel Boyd, Elaine Peterson
Academic honors: Kettering University Technology Award; Departmental Awards in math, science and government; Academic All-State in D1 cross country; Gabriel Richard List all eight semesters; National Honors Society member; Michigan Music Teachers Association Certification
Extra-curricular activities: cross country, track and field, music, Boy Scouts (Eagle Scout), Ultimate-Frisbee, volunteer work
Post-graduation plans: Next fall I will be attending the University of Michigan in the Honors Program, where I plan to study neuroscience. I would like to conduct scientific research with a focus on infectious diseases beginning my freshman year.
Career plans: My career goals involve working in the field of public health, with a focus on the global health crisis. I am undecided on whether I would like to become a doctor or not, but I am sure that I would like to



James Haubert



Richard Bloomfield

work in foreign countries to establish and improve health-care systems.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Above all, it is my parents, with their hard work and dedication that has truly influenced my academic career. Also, all of the teachers and fellow seniors who I have graduated with have truly pushed me to excel. I would not be the person that I am proud to be today without these men and women.
Most memorable high school moment: Winning the state championship in cross country junior year and playing shows with my band in the local area.

CONNOR TERENCE GIBNEY

Parents: Cathy Gibney, Terry Gibney
Academic honors: 4.76 cumulative GPA; Gabriel Richard Club 8 Semesters (no grade lower than a B; GPA higher than 3.6); 2011 Poetry Out Loud School Champion and State Finalist; NAQT and KMO state championships with the Academic Team; National Honors Society; four Departmental Awards; National Merit Commended Student
Extra-curricular activities: Catholic Central Academic Team; volunteer at the Miracle League of Plymouth; work at OLV Latchkey Program; OLV Youth Group; volunteer with OLV Preschool Faith Formation
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan and hoping to participate in the Health Sciences Scholars Program as well as conducting undergraduate research
Career plans: become a doctor
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My grandmother. When she was alive, she was incredibly proud of my academic achievements, which in turn, made me proud. Even though she is no longer with us, I still try to make my grandmother proud.
Most memorable high school moment: Kairos retreat with a handful of my classmates.

JAMES HAUBERT

Parents: Mari-Kay and Daniel Haubert
Academic honors: AP Scholar with Honor; National Honor Society; Archdiocese of Detroit Scholastic All-Catholic Award; University of Rochester Frederick Douglass & Susan B. Anthony Award; Catholic Central Gabriel Richard Club (3.60 GPA average with no mark below B), which I received in ninth, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade; 2010 Science and Engineering Fair of Metro Detroit: Environmental Science - 2nd Place; 2010 Catholic Central Science Fair – first place; first place in 2010 Fr. Enright Writing Contest Freshman/Sophomore Division; first place in



Hunter McDaniel



Ryan Boyd

2012 Fr. Enright Writing Contest Junior/Senior Division
Extra-curricular activities: Captain of the Catholic Central Varsity Academic Team; President of the Latin Club; Captain of Science Olympiad, writer for the Spectrum (Catholic Central Newspaper); member of the Chess Club; member of the Brothers' Club (club organized for students steered toward tutoring other students)
Post-graduation plans: After graduating from Catholic Central, I will be attending the University of Notre Dame in Indiana for undergraduate studies. After that, I plan on attending medical school.
Career plans: I hope to graduate medical school with a degree in pathology (study and diagnosis of disease). And if I'm unable to do that, I'd like to pursue a degree in bioremediation (using micro-organisms to remove pollutants in the environment).
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My father has definitely been the greatest influence. He kept pushing me to surpass my limits and become not only a better student but also a better man.
Most memorable high school moment: Probably my most memorable high school moment came at the end of the year, at the graduation ceremony itself. Every year at commencement, one senior is given the Fr. Daniel J Dillon Award, which is rewarded to the graduating senior with the highest cumulative G.P.A. over his past four years at Catholic Central (in other words, to the graduating academic valedictorian). This year, I was bestowed with the Dillon Award, and feel deeply honored to have upheld Catholic Central's tradition of academic excellence.

HUNTER MCDANIEL

Parents: Rob and Lori McDaniel
Academic honors: salutatorian, Permanent Gabriel Richard Club, AP Scholar with Honors, National Merit Commended Student, Catholic League Scholastic Award, National Honor Society, National Latin Exam Award, President Education Award
Extra-curricular activities: Academic Team, Science Olympiad, Latin Club president, French Club, Chess Club, Right to Life Club, Brothers Club, Michigan Math League, Poetry Out Loud, volunteer - Providence Park Hospital, PBJ ministries, tutoring
Post-graduation plans: University of Notre Dame
Career plans: law
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Shawn Mather, Director of Guidance, Detroit Catholic Central High School for consistent support and guidance throughout high school career.
Most memorable high school moment: Catholic Central Hockey State Championship during my freshman year, 2009, because of the



Giancarlo Sturla



Austin Smarsh

outpouring of support for the school.
NICHOLAS MCGOVERN
Parents: Kevin and Cheryl McGovern
Academic honors: Edward Siwik Memorial Scholarship, U of M Actuarial Science Scholarship, National Honor Society Scholarship, Eaton Corporation Scholarship, President's Education Award, Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition Finalist on Part I in 2010 and Parts I and II in 2011, Recipient of 15 Catholic Central Academic Department Awards.
Extra-curricular activities: active as a baseball umpire in the Plymouth-Canton community, ran cross country for CC, National Honor Society, Michigan Mathematics League, and Fox Hills Junior Championship Golf League.
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan to pursue a bachelor of science in mathematics with a concentration in actuarial mathematics. I also plan to earn a master of science in actuarial mathematics.
Career plans: pursue a career in the actuarial field
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My dad influenced me the most because he encouraged me to explore many different academic subjects and fields of specialization so that I could discover my strengths and interests.
Most memorable high school moment: Attending the Catholic Central sporting events and activities and being a part of the Catholic Central brotherhood.

BRETT MIZZI

Parents: John and Kimberly Mizzi
Academic honors: National Merit Finalist; AP Scholar with Honors; National Honors Society; Gabriel Richard Honors Club; Reginald L. Tucker Scholarship Winner; Exchange Club of Livonia Youth of the Year; Lacrosse Catholic League All-Academic Team
Extra-curricular activities: president of the Student Council; president of the French Club; varsity lacrosse; volunteer in mentally impaired preschool classroom; French Exchange student; Kairos retreat leader
Post-graduation plans: Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan
Career plans: Start off in investment banking or some kind of management consulting.
Career plans: (dream) CEO of a Fortune 500 company
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Two teachers have had the greatest influence on me in my academic career – Mrs. Nancy Carapellotti at Our Lady of Good Counsel elementary school in Plymouth because she taught me the power of words and the skills of critical thinking. And Fr. Jef-



Alexander Morton



Brett Mizzi

erson Thompson at Catholic Central because he taught me what it means to be a man and countless life lessons that extend far beyond the reaches of text books and classrooms.
Most memorable high school moment: The final day of classes at Catholic Central. Although nothing very special happened, walking the halls and seeing all the guys in the same familiar place for the last time was an almost surreal experience. I looked around and saw 241 brothers – men, who four years earlier had entered CC as boys, friends and foes, but who would leave at the end of the day as brothers. Of all the amazing things we have accomplished as a class and school over the past four years, this achievement is by far the greatest and most memorable. It will stick with me for the rest of my life.

ALEX MORTON

Parents: Robert and Laurie Morton
Academic honors: National Merit Finalist; AP Scholar with Honor; National Honor Society; Scholastic All Catholic Award; Gabriel Richard Award – all four years; President's Education Awards Program; Michigan Competitive Scholarship Recognition Award; CC Department Awards in A.P. computer science, A.P. Spanish, English; Phi Beta Kappa commendation; MSU ADS Commended Student Scholarship, MSU STATE Scholarship, MSU Professorial Assistantship; MSU Special Merit Award, MSU National Alumni Association Award - Oakland County.
Extra-curricular activities: wrestling, Student Council, Novi Library teen volunteer, classical piano
Post-graduation plans: Michigan State University, College of Engineering, majoring in computer science/Spanish
Career plans: a position leveraging computer science/Spanish/business
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents, who instilled a strong work ethic in me and have always supported me.
Most memorable high school moment: Being part of a winning wrestling team that won two MHSAA team championships.

AUSTIN SMARSH

Parents: Darryl and Jennifer Smarsh
Academic honors: Gabriel Richard Award Winner (four Years); National Honor Society; AP Scholar Award; Father John D. Sheehy Memorial Award
Extra-curricular activities: varsity soccer, club soccer, club baseball; Spanish Club; Monogram Club
Post-graduation plans: University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) to study psychology, biology and history. I plan to be a pre-med student.
Career plans: I plan on



Connor Gibney



Nicholas McGovern

graduating from U of M, attending medical school, and becoming a doctor. I want to be a pediatric specialist; perhaps an orthopedic surgeon or gastrointestinal specialist.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My mother and father have influenced me the most. Through their hard work ethics they have taught me what commitment and a persistent attitude is all about. Without this attitude my academic career would be nowhere near where it is now.
Most memorable high school moment: The brotherhood displayed at the Cipriano candlelight vigil was my most memorable high school moment. It was a phenomenal showing of what CC is all about.

GIANCARLO FRANCESCO STURLA

Parents: Maria Elena Sturla and Francisco Antonio Sturla
Academic honors: Phi Beta Kappa High School Award; Michigan Competitive Scholarship; Advanced Math First Place—Catholic Math League; Nominated for the Bro. George Syan Boy Soccer Scholar-Athlete Leader Award; First Place (individual event) University of Michigan-Flint Math Field Day; MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Award; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Michigan Regent Merit Scholarship; All-Academic Honor Award (Soccer League); The Scholastic All-Catholic Award; National Hispanic Scholar; The University of Michigan Scholarship of Honor; AP Scholar Award; The Rensselaer Medal Award; Gabriel Richard Club Awards (A Average) 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012
Extra-curricular activities: University of Michigan Math Field Day; Summer College of Engineering Exposure Program; National Honor Society; track and field; junior varsity soccer; varsity soccer; Premier Soccer Club; St. John Providence Park Hospital Teen Volunteer Program
Post-graduation plans: I plan to continue my academic career at Massachusetts Institute of Technology studying computer science. I hope to someday earn a Ph.D. in computer science.
Career plans: I plan to work my way up in the technological world.

Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents' support has motivated me to become the best that I can be. Without their encouraging me to always try my best, I would not have come so far.
Most memorable high school moment: Working over the summer as part of the maintenance staff at Detroit Catholic Central High School. My coworkers and I had to strip, seal, and wax every tiled floor in the school; however, we made the best of it and had a lot of fun doing our work.

Class vice president Dawson Laabs applauds his fellow classmates during their June 3 graduation at Compuware Arena.



Northville High graduate Katelyn Ritchie.



Brandon Love graduates with the class of 2012.

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Bernard John Marsalese
Bianca Paige Massara
Jack Armando Mastantuono
Samuel James Mathes
Scott Baetz Matthews
Eric Jason Matych
Robert Austin Mazur
Colleen Grace McBride
Kyle James McCormick
Megan Rose McGlynn
Paige Libby McGuirk
Claire Catherine McHugh
Tyler Robert McMullin
Gina Marie McNamara
Daniel Mark Medendorp
Nicholas Anthony Melucci
Ira Memaj
Nicholas Claudio Mencotti
Aravind Hari Menon
Darren Glenn Meredith Jr.
Madison Paige Merlanti
Filippo Miavaldi (honorary degree)
Conner David Micallef
Taylor Elizabeth Mikels
Jason Edward Miller
Kevin William Miller
Michael David Miller
Nicholas Robert Miller
Samantha Amanda Miller
Spencer Kellgren Miller
Shelby Nicole Minick
Jeffrey Stephen Minoff
William Anthony Mitchell
Ryne Aalok Mitra
Allison Rae Montambeau
Ashley Nicole Moore
Christian Alexander Morgan
Anastasia Alexi Morin
Carly Jacqueline Morrell
Susan Katherine Morris
Austin Joseph Mortiere
Zachary George Mouaikel
Alyssa Kay Moulds
Amanda Mourad
Yara Emile Moussaed
Alexandra Savannah Moynes
Matthew Michael Mroue
Liljana Muco
Michelle Anne Mueller
Emily Lee Mulcrone
Samantha Alisa Mullen
Jared Prystash Myers
Eimen Najjar
Clare Marie Naughton
Clayton Patrick Neal
Neson Nahabed Nesmith
Alexander John Newman
Darbi Lyn O'Brien
Ellen Marie O'Brien
Meghan Ann O'Brien
Ryan Michael O'Callaghan
Matthew Andrew Olinik
Carly Deanne Oosten
Mitchell Neil Ostrowski
Kelly Christine Owens
Caitlin Marie Ozak
Trevor Joseph Page
Yannis Evangelos Papoulis
Taylor Anna Papp
Nitish Dilip Paradkar
Jane Achu Parayil
Hyun Seung Park
Sung Hwan Bill Park
Hamenti D Patel
Krupa V. Patel
Rohan Shasank Patel
Matthew David Perchman
Nicholas William Perttunen
Charlotte Erin Peterson
Lauren Alexis Petty
Julie Alexandra Piccone
Katelyn Sara Pitcher
Paige Eleanora Pitynski
Alexandra Nataja Pogany
Rachel Jordan Polanski
Laura Elizabeth Pond
Andrew Evan Poterala
Mackenzie Kate Powers
Sonia Kiran Prabhu
William Henry Price
John Doyle Pritchard
Tiffany Josephine Pupa
Gregory Allen Putman
Emily Ryan Rachelson
Sara Rose Ramsey
Hamza A. Rao
Mahesh Rao
Mohit Kumar Rathi
Syed Ijlal Raza
Christian Philip Rea
Thomas Scott Rehse
Molly Diane Reitman
Emily Mae Rencsok
Cayla Zolo Rhodes
Katelynn Ruth Ritchie
Jacob Michael Roberts
Julia Love Roberts
Jonathon Paul Robideau
Daniel Scott Rogers
Alexandra Rose Romano
Anthony Joseph Rossi
Thomas Edward Rothermel
Joshua Song Roys
Lauren Elizabeth Rudberg
Mary Kathryn Rumbley



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Northville High class of 2012 graduate Trent Currie.



Kathleen Crowley gets a congratulatory handshake from Northville High Principal Rob Watson.



Jack Sherman gets a handshake from Principal Rob Watson.

Madison Taylor Ruppert
Colin William Russell
Andriana Antoinette Russo
Paula Josephine Ryan
Robert Michael Sable III
Kaitlyn Marschand Sabourin
Jaenelle Lauren Saif
Marissa Nicole Salvia
Gary Singh Sandhu
Shannon Elizabeth Sargent
Tatsushi Sato
Matthew Craig Satterfield
Stuart Lawrence Saules
Tawwney Ann Sayre
Bradley W. Schaeffer
Rachel Marie Schafer
Andrew Christian Schanne
Su Rhin Cidadel Schin
Ashley Bria Sealie
Ashray Shankar
Meghan Joy Shannon
Jack Robert Sherman
Maxwell Gibson Shuart
Humza Masih Siddiqui
Matthew Alexander Sierra
Jeffrey Adam Sims
Simrat Singh
Robin Marie Skrbina
Andrew Keith Slatin
Kaitlin Elizabeth Slovisky
Vladyslav Alex Slyusar
Matthew Ryan Smelt
Benjamin Blake Smith
Connor Mitchell Smith
Connor McLaine Smith
Madeleine Loria Smith
Nicholas Allen Smith
Trevor Alexander Smith
Victoria Elisabeth Smith
Jessica Lynne Snyder
Matthew James Sopha
Haley Elizabeth Spindler
Dylan A.J. Spruit
Dylan Charles Stanecki
Eric Lawrence Staszal
Bradley Richard Stegmeyer
Kathryn Mary Step
Margaret Norene Stewart
Matthew Craig Stojkov
Richard Harold Stone
Nicole Elizabeth Stoner
Eric Charles Storm
Derek Daniel Strybel
John Justin Stupar
Megan Margaret Stupar
Allison Miyeko Sugiyama
Daniel James Summers
Rachel Lynn Szymanski
Aaron Chihao Ta
Kelvin Kawai Tam
Shivani Paresch Thakore
Benjamin Potter Thomas
Sean K. Thomas
Andrew Joseph Thompson
Anne Chamberlin Thurber
Yunchen Tian
Itzel Torres
Matthew Ryan Trumbore
Megan Leigha Truran
Jessica Marie Tyer
Tyler David Ulrich
Leslie Rose Van Hamme
Thomas Michael VanBuskirk Jr.
Teresa Marie VanDenBerghe
Divya Varghese
Megha Tushar Vashi
Olivia Noel Vitali
Constantina Katherine Vlahakis
Abigail Dayle Vollick
Thomas Franklin Wagner
Bethie S. Wang
Richard Wang
Gordon Ulysses Watkins
Bridget Anna Watza
Mallory Alyse Weber
Ekaterina Rosalind Weir-Witmer
Sarah Caroline Wheatley
Nicolas Walter Wieland
Lindsay Irene Williams
Marshall Abbott Williams
Max Linington Williams
Meredith Alyse Williams
Rebecca Marie Willis
Johnisha Valerie Wilson
Makenzy Rene Wilson
Rachel Layne Wilson
Danielle Lynn Winiarski
Bailey Meredith Winter
Nathan Dane Wood
Kahley Alexandra Wozniak
Amber Nicole Wright
Andrew Thomas Wright
Shuwen Rensy Wu
Alice Xu
Colby Joseph Yanagi
Catherine Yang
Taylor Elizabeth Young
Laura Christine Yurgalite
Aaron Michael Zalewski
Leah Isabell Zawadski
Lauren Ann Zawrotny
Kosai K. Zaya
Emily Xiao-Yu Zheng
Adam John Zimmer
Emily Anne Zimmer
Matthew Charles Zinkosky
Scott Austin Zwierzchowski

Franklin Road Christian School Class of 2012

- Averett Paul Barksdale
Lindsay Nicole Beck
Taylor Kathryn Buis
Austin Stanley Caswell
Elizabeth Sharon Clark
Joseph Matthew Czuchrak
Benjamin Ray Flores

Cassidy Angeline Giltner
William Peter Kish
Ethan Sakda Larabell
Susanna Marie Lindberg
Garrick Edward Manick
Christina Marie Mansfield
Sarah Emily Marinetti

Brittany Grace Marshall
Jehne Kimberly Nannoshi
Lauren Kay O'Leary
Keira Anastasia Polk
Brittany Lynn Ramos
Seth Mills Rayburn
Rebecca Joan Stickley

Samuel Donald Tracey
Jordan Edward Uzoni
Jasper-Jalen Walker III
Franklin Delton Whitaker III
Solomon David Williams
Josiah Edward York

FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ALL ACADEMIC TOP 10

TAYLOR BUIS

Parents: Mark & Kathy Buis
Academic honors: National Honor Society, High Honors throughout high school (3.5-4.0), Worship Team, Servant Leadership Awards (5).
Extra-curricuiar activities: AboutOne Youth Group; National Fine Arts Festival (AG); I will be participating in Royal Family Kids Camp this summer. Also participated in two mission trips (Dominican Republic, El Salvador) and one service trip (Guatemala). I also spend much of my time helping around my church, Brightmoor Christian Church. I nanny/babysit whenever I am needed.
Post-graduation pians: I will hopefully be headed to the Dominican Republic for a two-year program called ENGAGE where I will take online courses through Central Bible College in the evening and ministry work during the day. Otherwise, I will be going to Southeastern Assemblies of God in Lakeland, Fla.
Career pians: Either Christian ministry or a career working with children.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents because I want to be able to provide for my future family the way they have provided for me.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: Our last day of school was by far the most memorable day/ moment ever, from tailgating in the morning to a surprise water attack by the juniors in the afternoon -- that day was perfect!

WILLIAM PETER KISH

Parents: William F. & Virginia Kish
Extra-curricuiar activities: work, play guitar, long boarding, racquetball
Post-graduation pians: Grand Valley State University
Career pians: engineering
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My goals for my future and the ability to meet them.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: senior trip to Florida

SUSANNA MARIE LINDBERG

Parents: Al & Christina Lindberg
Academic honors: National Honors Society, High Honor Roll every semester, Outstanding Citizenship Award, class chaplain and secretary, Servant Leadership Award, Honors in



Seth Rayburn



Lauren O'Leary



Jordan Uzoni



Susanna Lindberg



Garrick Manick



Keira Polk



Brittany Marshall



Taylor Buis



Sarah Marinetti



William Kish

chemistry in 2011, Honors in economics in 2011, Scholar Athlete Award
Extra-curricuiar activities: Basketball, softball, volleyball, worship band, coaching, youth group leader, choir, youth group choir, Fine Arts Festival competition, drama team, day-camp counselor, office assistant, volleyball coach, baby-sitter
Post-graduation pians: Southeastern University, Lakeland, Fla.
Career pians: high school choir teacher
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Mrs. Swaffield has influenced my academic career the most because she has such a passion for teaching and, more importantly, growing her student's minds to be able to be successful in college.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: My most memorabie high school moment was senior year on our last day of school. All of the seniors had a tailgate in the parking lot. We all were able to get back together one more time and just have fun and enjoy the last day.

GARRICK MANICK

Parents: Ed & Sheryl Manick
Academic honors: Servant Leadership Award; Junior Class treasurer; J-Term M.V.P. for Digital Video Production; FRCS Choir
Extra-curricuiar activities: Xmas @ Brightmoor productions; Easter @ Brightmoor production; Novi Civic Theatre
Post-graduation pians: Huntington University (Huntington, Ind.) to study theatre and digital media arts

Career pians: become an actor (either on Broadway or doing professional voice overs)
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Vince Montoro, who taught me how to think critically. Also, pastor David Basel for providing me an opportunity to express myself in a creative way.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: I enjoyed being Warrior Man (our high school mascot) for three years.

SARAH MARINETTI

Parents: Daryl and Laurel Marinetti
Post-graduation pians: Attending Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus
Career pians: undecided
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My mother has influenced me the most in my academic career because she always pushed me to do my best.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: My most memorabie high school moment was finishing my senior project presentation.

BRITTANY MARSHALL

Parents: Cappi Marshall
Academic Honors: High Honors all four years of academic career
Extra-curricuiar activities: NHS, Student Council (president one year, vice president two years, secretary one year); sing, play piano, and act; lead worship at church and at school; did theatre at Novi Civic Center for 13 years; student leader

in youth group; participated in fine arts competition for three years and won nationally; in choir all four years; volley ball; varsity cheer; president of Power of Prayer club at school; intern for youth pastor; member of SADD and Daughters of the American Revolution
Post-graduation pians: I plan to attend Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Texas where I will study music ministry.
Career pians: I plan becoming a worship leader or music pastor. I want to lead people to Christ through music and worship.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My mom has influenced me the most in my academic career because she was always there helping me, encouraging me, and inspiring me to do my best. She's my favorite teacher :)
Most memorabie high schooli moment: My most memorabie high school moment was leading worship at a back-to-school retreat. It was amazing!

LAUREN O'LEARY

Parents: Martin O'Leary & Faith O'Leary
Academic honors: Salutatorian
Extra-curricuiar activities: Student Council-two years, class president-two years, volleyball, National Honor Society, youth leadership at church
Post-graduation pians: Southwestern Assembly of God University in Texas
Career pians: family counseling
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My Eng-

lish teacher, Mrs. Swaffield, has influenced my academic career because she has taught me how to be a dedicated, hard-working, detailed student.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: Our senior class trip to Disney World.

KEIRA POLK

Parents Names: Kathleen & Dale Armstrong, Mark Polk
Academic Honors: High Honor Roll
Extra-curricuiar activities: cheerleading, soccer coach (elementary)
Post-graduation pians: study psychology at Oakland University in the fall
Career pians: become a psychologist
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: My parents have been a huge influence since they work so hard and are very successful. They sacrificed to send me to a private school and encourage me to always do my best. They want me to succeed in all my endeavors.
Your most memorabie high schooli moment: My most memorabie moment of high school was during my sophomore year when I joined the cheer squad and became a flyer (stunts). It was the night of the homecoming game and I was shaking so bad from nerves. The music came on and the show went on. All I remember was hitting every stunt perfectly and giving it all I got. It was an amazing experience and I was so glad when it was over. I was so thankful that I had such a great stunt group and a great team overall. They made my first year cheering so wonderful.

SETH M. RAYBURN

Parents: Carolyn & Richard Rayburn
Academic honors: valedictorian
Extra-curricuiar activities: captain of FRCS varsity baseball team; National Honor Society; class president
Post-graduation pians: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Career pians: medicine
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: Mom and Dad -- I see how much hard work pays off.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: More of an event -- senior trip to Disney World in Florida.

JORDAN EDWARD UZONI

Parents: George and Carrie Uzoni
Academic honors: High Honors
Extra-curricuiar activities: saxophone, soccer, student government, youth group, mission's trips
Post-graduation pians: Southwestern Assemblies of God University and major in pastoral ministries
Career pians: Evangelist in which I will minister under God's power and see the sick and hurting set free.
Who has influenced you most in your academic career and why: God because everything I do is for His glory and that has motivated me to do my best no matter what I am doing.
Most memorabie high schooli moment: Mission trip to El Salvador in the summer of 2011 where I saw God do miracles and heal the sick.

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Bishop Michael J. Byrnes, a Catholic Central graduate of 1976, gives the commencement address to CC's 2012 class.



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Ryan James Tiderington
Sergio Antonio Troiani
Nicholas Ryan Trojniak
Connor John Trombley
Steven John Turzewski
Samuel Ignatius Vaitkevicius
Tyler Eric Van Acker
Tyler Joseph Van Norman
Nicholas David Vandenberg
Andrew Joseph Vollmer
Aaron Patrick Walters
Michael Stephen Walukas

Ryan Alexander Wandzel
Tanner Joseph Waterstreet
Joseph Caleb Wenderski
Jake Rogers Widmer
Eric Thomas Wierszewski
Trevor Kenneth Wilhelmi
William Garrett Willson
Garrett Jeffrey Wiska
Trent Robert Wismer
Kyler Michael Witting
Patrick John Wolfer
Jordan Anthony Yono
David E. Yurgelaitis
Jonathan H. Zimmer
Fernando Arthurs Zrinyi

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Alice Caroline Jiang
Michael Steven Jocz
Jennah Lynn Jodoin
Danielle Lynn Johnson
Tyler Matthew Johnson
Amanda Jean Kadykowski
Joey Robert Kamal
Arisa Kambe
Ryan Daniel Kandt
Matthew Sean Kearney
Holly Estelle Keene
Jimi Keller
Mackenzie Kelley
Kathleen Elizabeth Kelly
Kimberly Marie Kelzer
Scott Jeffrey Kempa
Kelsey Joyce Kenrick
Katie Kerbrat
Aaron Keskitalo
Natalie Noel Kestou
Farahman Kian
Baek Kim
Derek Andrew Kim
Ryan Kim
Ann Kim
Jongmin Kim
Alexander Paul King
Alexander John Kinnamon
Shoto Kinoshita
Chelsea Megan Kipp
Jonathan Fraser Kish
Yuna Kishita
James Joseph Kittka
Dylan Joseph Klocke
Haley Lauren Knedgen
Alexandra Marie Knott
Ryan David Kobylarek
Sarah Margaret Kolis
Sweta Komanduru
Christa Lynn Kondraciuk
Kathleen Elizabeth Koomen
Erik Matthew Kostrzewa
Stephen B. Kovacinski
Elyssa Nicole Kozak
Natalie Marie Kozma
Brock Andrew Krygier
Lindsey Marie Kulie
Emily Anne Kwederis
Alex LaDuke
Eric Randall Lash
Matthew Alexander Laskowski
Andrew Scott Latin
Anna Katherine Lausch
Alyssa Louise Layton
Anna Elizabeth Lazarus
Kevin Khiem Chi Le
Daniel Lee
Eric Lenyoun
Tania Christina Leon
Jason Leung
Lucia Li
Calyn Nicole Liberati
Shelby Dawn Limpert
Samantha Lynn Lindberg
Christian James Linton
Cormac William Littleton
William Wade Litzinger
Bradley Loomis
Kimberly Louie
Timothy K. Louie
Anna Lu
Daniel Allan Lumley
Laura Luo
Michael Lynn
Christine Ellen Lyon
Andrea MacDonough
Ryan Daniel Mach
Anna Nicole MacMillan
Diamond C. Madison
Nirali Shriraj Makim+
BradleyWalter Malarkey
Apoorva Malladi
Shravani Mandalaparty•
Molly Erin Marzonie
Joshua Dean Massab
Zachary Austin Masserant
Frank Gerald Mastrangelo
Jacob William Mastropaolo
Gannon Deshon Mathis
Kyerra Ja'Nee Matlock
Kelly Anne McCloskey
Matthew Stewart McClure
Alissa Cathlyn McLeod
Danika Rochelle Mea
Brooke Elizabeth Meisel
Danielle Mellon
Kiel Lee Mennerich
Garrett Tyler Merchant
Joseph Meriedeth
Justin Zachary Michael
Ashley Caroline Miller
Megan Ann Miller
Jasmine Ashley Mims
Joshua Miner
Brannen Shane Mitchell
Brandon Thomas Moon
Ashley Marie Mooney
Amanda Maxine Moore
Dustin Christian Moore
Matthew Moore
Erik Dalton Morianti
Sachie Morita
Paige Marie Morris
Hannah Janelle Mouch
Cassandra Marie Mullins
Derek Charles Mully
Mackenzie Lynn Murphy
Matthew Brian Murphy
Shravya Musku
Sevag Anthony Nadjarian
Ori Ann Nagasaka
Rubini Naidu
Sho Michael Nakashima
Saichetan Nalamolu
Marie Elizabeth Naleztyty
Emily Maura Nall
Christopher Scott Nally
Sravan Kumar Nerella
Victoria Newman
Anh Lee Nguyen
Kathryn Nicholson
Evan Matthew Nielson
Addison Pia Notarantonio
Joshua Nunnery
Cory Norman Odell
Kousuke Ogino



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Novi High Principal Carol Diglio, left, has a special greeting for the class of 2012 Vice President Molly Marzonie as she receives her diploma on June 2 at EMU.



Novi High 2012 graduate Phillip Bahner gets his diploma on June 2.



Novi class of 2012 Class President Derek Kim addresses his classmates and guests at their commencement.

Satori Okamoto
Kylie Jourdan Olkowski
Christopher Wei-Kwan Oo
Matthew Martin Orbain
Elizabeth Adell Ortwine
Christina Oshana
Awujoola Morolake Oyeleye
Ashley Marie Pace
Sachin Padmanabhan
Christopher David Pamula
Anthony Pan
Vivek Panyam
Amber Renee Papa
Alicia Parikh
Megan Nilesh Parikh
Alex C. Park
Christopher Maitland Park
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Michael William Pasquale
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Fernanda Pavia
Samantha Elena Pavlika
Paul Daniel Peralta
Nathan James Peters
David Robert Peterson
Spencer Peterson

Breyanna Dayshon Petrie
Tristin Allison Pickett
Phillip David Piesz
Joseph Michael Pietrzyk
Matthew Justin Pilat
Ramya Pinreddy
Daniel Scott Plucinski
Lauren Christine Pollard
Katharine Cecilia Popp
Derek Dennis John Poppenger
Bridgett Carolyn Porras
Jeffrey Michael Poshadlo
Madalyn Rene Potts
Kristina Katherine Pouliot
Amy Quinlan
Aaron Joseph Quinley
Alex James Raeon
Narasimhan Raghunathan
Yamini Devi Raja
Varsha Raju
Vedant Ram
Brandon T. Ramsay
Aniket Ramshekar
Sheldon Scott Randall
Benjamin Bhanu Rathi
Brejae Sharmayne Redden
Austin Alexander Reed
Logan Charles Regnier
Claire Elaine Rice

Kacey Jordan Richman
Nicole Marie Rigdon
Mike Riley
Amelia Paige Ritter
Mary Kathryn Robbins
Abby Elizabeth Robinson
Jeremy Robson
Jomariel Rodil
Danika Jho Rodrigues
Eric Raymond Rodriguez
Victoria Joan Rose
Dai'Jon Khyri Ross
Jacob Rothermel
Katherine Betty Rudzinski
Ryan James Russ
Alyson Elizabeth Ryan
Dominic Ryan
Andrea Jean Rybicki
Pierre Sabagh
Eduardo Salgado
Brandon Dereck Sanders
Keegan Taylor Sapla
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Sukriti Saxena
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Jeremy Schultz
Tyler Steven Schwanz
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Katie Nicole Seelenbinder
Kyle James Seippel
Tino Semeleer
Leah Victoria Shaheen
Taylor Elizabeth Shaw
Emily Katelyn Sheeran
Dylan Jeremy Shepard
Rebecca Sherborne
Angela Catherine Sherman
Shannen Marie Sherwood
Ayaka Shimaya
Rohini Shrivastava
Heiko Andre Sijan
Alexa Simmons
Abhimanyu Singh
John Anthony Sinkovich
Rafael Andres Sion
Eric L. Sirabian
Chad Alexander Smith
Curran Smith
Jessica Dawn Smith
Lindsey Devlin Smith
Mariah Dejanae Smith
Steven Raymond M. Smith
Kaveh Sohizad
Eugene Song
Josh Song
Katie Weijia Song
Phillip Soong
Calla Elise Spillane
Dayna Rae Spisak
Achyut Srinivasa
Masha Stebbins
Shannon Theresa Stewart
Chelsea Laverne Stone
Richard Daniel Stone
Nicole Renee Stotler
Casey Lynn Sutton
Ayano Suzuki
Misae Suzuki
Natsumi Suzuki
Joseph Paul Sweda
Bryant Collin Sweet
Leota Takashima
Jonathan S. Takeshita
Jack Theodore Takesian
Jessica Marie Tally
Ken Patrick Teevens
Ryan Tgiros
Unsh Ashir Thakore
Evan David Thomas
Alexandria Nicole Thompson
Andrew Daniel Thorwall
Kelli Elizabeth Timar
Kazuho Tominaga
Christine Vu Ton Nu
Kais Tounsi
Travis Trainor
Zachary Bromwell Turek
Alexander James Turner
Pallavi Vadapalli
Daniella Maureen Valenti
Kristina Shelby Valentine
Rohan Veldanda
Tushar Verma
Robert Vuljaj
John Cameron Walker
Mallory Jo Walker
Raschaud Walker
Megan Marie Wallace
Emma Grace Walter
Abigail Wang
Zelin Wang
Andrew Ward
Jasmine Christine Ward
Desmond Washington
Jeffrey Weber
Madeleine Marie Weber
Dylan Thomas Weil
Felicia R. Werbylo
Kyle Wickham
Alison Janet Widner
Jennifer Wiegand
Hayley Caroline Wilk
Connor Williams
Jasmine Monique Williams
Anthony Clarence Wilmoth
Lauren Wingfield
Ashley Wojtylo
Lexi Woods
Hannah Phyllis Woods
Callie Morgan Wright
Fiona Wu
Honomi Yamaguchi
Xueying Yang
Milly Yeh
Mikael Yono
Kei Yoshida
Shelly Lauren Yusko
Justin Paul Zak
Christine Alissa Zeitler
Felix Zhu
Jacob Ryan Zimmer
Michael Zugaro

Foreign Exchange Students:
Jean Valentin Hadrich
Candela Salguero Vazquez
Xiaoyuan Zhang

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Don't be a slowpoke networker

Why a quick follow-up is important

Rachel Farrell, Special to CareerBuilder.com

Time is of the essence, not only in life, but also in your job search. Whether you've just had an interview, met a new contact or gotten off the phone with a recruiter, you must act quickly -- potential jobs and connections can be gone in a flash.

"Every move you make in approach and response to any opportunity is greatly magnified in your audience's eyes. For better or worse, this fact can be unfair unless you use it to your advantage," says Gordon Curtis, author of "Well Connected." "If you are the quickest to respond to an opportunity or the fastest to follow up on a conversation, you will be considered the most responsive person overall, even if, truth be told, you actually are a procrastinator."

But the circumstances in which immediacy is key vary. After an interview, for example, it's imperative to follow up right away to extend the positive impression you made, says Colette Ellis, founder and head coach at InStep Consulting.

"In today's tight job market, it's important that job seekers do all they can to stand out from the crowd. If they wait too long to follow up, the interviewer may forget about them -- and why they're the best candidate. The interviewer could even fill the position in the interim."

While you want to show responsiveness and interest,

the key to following up after an interview is control, Curtis says.

"Retain control by not leaving voice mails or emails that basically say, 'Don't forget about me,'" he says. Instead, try the following techniques:

"If you can't reach the interviewer by phone, hit zero to be forwarded to someone (anyone) you can ask when a better time to call is. If they ask you to leave a message, graciously reply, 'I'm happy to call back so he or she doesn't have to chase me down.' If your follow up is via email, end it with, 'I'll follow up again shortly unless you catch me first,'" he says.

When it comes to tapping into your network or new contacts, you may not need the same velocity as when you're following up after an interview. And if you take the right approach, you don't risk losing a potential connection, Curtis says.

"If they are taking time to be focused, targeted and strategic with the most valuable people, they won't miss out on a thing," he says.

Echoes Ellis: "Job seekers should take time to get to know the people in their network so that they can maximize their connections and find ways to build professional relationships beyond their job search. It's not about attending tons of events, tossing out hundreds of business cards and resumé and hoping things will pan out," she says. "It's about being strategic in your approach: selecting specific events that are relevant to your target industry;



engaging in thoughtful conversations with new and current connections; being diligent about following up on new leads and contacts; and staying in contact with your network to let them know your progress and offering to help when you can."

If you need help networking efficiently, here are five tips from Ellis:

1. Respect other people's time. "Remember that when you initiate a call, it might not be the best time for the other person to speak. Ask if they have a few moments to speak with you. Prepare what you're going to say in advance so you can get to the point quickly."

2. Be clear about what it is that you need from your network. "The more clearly you can describe your goal and the input you need from

the other person, the easier it will be for him or her to help you, or let you know when they can't help."

3. Get to know your connections. "Ask about their goals and interests so that you can find ways to be resourceful on their behalf. Also, make sure you understand enough about their business, industry and network so that you know what new connections they can help you make."

4. Say thank you. "Even if the introduction or connection doesn't pan out for you, remember that the other person still took time out to help you. Thank them for their efforts and keep them posted on your progress."

5. Find ways to help people in your network. "You can best build on your relationships when you find ways to be a resource for

others. Think of your own assets and connections. Ask your connections what they're seeking to accomplish or learn more about and then be proactive about finding ways to help them. Networking is a two-way street. It's not just about what you can get from others; it's also about what you can offer.

"If you stay in touch with people in your network consistently and remember to ask about their needs, interests and accomplishments, you'll be seen as a helpful person. Most people like to help other helpful people."

Rachel Farrell researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues for CareerBuilder.com. Follow @CareerBuilder on Twitter.

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Speaking up: Rally in Washington, D.C., promotes homeownership

Local Realtors participated in a rally recently in Washington, D.C., to make their voices heard on behalf of homeowners, real estate investors and those who aspire to homeownership.

At the Rally To Protect the American Dream, Realtors from every state in the country — including many from Michigan — joined invited members of Congress to demonstrate their commitment to preserving access to homeownership and robust real estate investment. The rally was put together by the National Association of Realtors.

"Michigan Realtors turned out in force in Washington, D.C., to send a message to our elected officials," said Tony Schippa, president of the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors and a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Preferred in Plymouth. "The message was that protecting homeowners' and prospective homeowners' real estate rights is not only vital to Michigan's economic recovery, but to the nation's recovery, as well."

Schippa was part of a Michigan-based contingent that included dozens of Realtor representatives from the Plymouth and Novi areas as well as Bloomfield and Birmingham; in all, nearly 100 GMAR members were there. Also in attendance were representatives from the area's three local Women's Council of Realtors chapters.

"This local Realtor turnout is especially important because there are still homeowners in our communities who own property throughout the state," Schippa said. "Plymouth Realtors are equally beholden to property owners in Cadillac or Grayling. We speak with a loud



Real estate pros gathered for a rally recently in Washington, D.C., with southeast Michigan well represented. The rally was organized to boost homeownership.

voice because we have to."

Working toward home affordability takes a multi-step approach for area Realtors. Toward that end, Realtors are advocating better access to affordable financing, reform of the secondary mortgage market, improved liquidity in residential and commercial lending, and preservation of the tax benefits associated with homeownership.

The rally was part of NAR's weeklong Midyear Legislative Meetings, during which Realtors and guests meet with members of Congress, federal regulators and industry experts

to address pressing real estate issues and public policies in support of private property rights, homeownership and housing issues.

"It went great. It was awesome," Schippa said after the May 17 rally, with over 13,000 agents attending.

"It was just an awesome event."

He said the industry pros gathered in front of the Washington Monument. They were there in part for the press and public. "It will really come down to what the long term will be," Schippa said of long-term impact on the hous-

ing market.

"The enthusiasm from the agents was just overwhelming." People attending wore mostly blue T-shirts, with other color shirts for NAR staff and those on political action committee.

"You start looking when you buy a home how much goes back to the community." Buying a home creates jobs, Schippa said, ranging from furniture stores to gardeners and contractors.

The website for the GMAR is www.GMARonline.com.

O&E staff writer Julie Brown contributed to this report.

Skate ban: Heed lawyer's advice

By Robert Meisner
Guest Columnist

Q: Our association is thinking about banning skateboarding in the common areas. Do you think that poses a problem?

A: It may pose a problem in that HUD may take the position that since there is no safety-related justification for the regulation (assuming that is the case), such a regulation would be familial discrimination and would subject the individual directors to liability as well as the association. In any event, I would be very cautious about imposing such a ban without getting a legal opinion from your association attorney and, perhaps, talking to your liability carrier.

Q: What is your experience in dealing with short sales as a vehicle to avoid foreclosure?

A: I could write several pages of a response to that, but to suffice it to say that short sales, under certain



Robert Meisner

circumstances, may be a good way out for the home seller. In any event, you should use a real estate agent or firm that specializes in short sales and an attorney who can advise you as to the programs and different policies regarding short sales being offered by the financial institution that holds your mortgage or others. The attorney may also be able to advise you as to the ramifications of failing to make mortgage payments and buying a second home before the short sale of the first home has been approved. There are also federal incentives available for some owners and banks for selling a home at a loss rather than allowing it to move into foreclosure. Information is available at homeaffordable.gov where you can click on "explorer programs" tab. Short sales may also be beneficial to the lender to ensure the safety of its security and to expedite the process of recouping its losses.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and author of *Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track*, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote *Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium*, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit brmeisner@meisner-law.com.

This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 27 to March 2, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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50321 Black Horse Ln	\$325,000
1866 Century Ct	\$145,000
45765 Drexel Rd	\$178,000
46489 Killarney Cir	\$150,000
264 N Village Way	\$85,000
43300 Oakbrook Ct	\$191,000
1997 Pearce Ct	\$62,000
820 Pleasant Woods Dr	\$253,000
329 S Village Way	\$85,000
596 Sorel Dr	\$200,000
4134 Strathmore Ln	\$105,000
1221 W Crystal Cir	\$166,000
48102 W Oxford Ln	\$40,000

GARDEN CITY	
31560 Bridge St	\$60,000
28840 Hennepin St	\$151,000
28428 Leona St	\$80,000
LIVONIA	
15076 Arcola St	\$79,000
29817 Barkley St	\$97,000
28618 Bayberry Park Dr	\$121,000
8900 Danzig St	\$128,000
17568 Deering St	\$63,000
18339 Floral St	\$75,000
30553 Grandon St	\$128,000
31307 Kendall St	\$118,000
19851 Louise St	\$55,000
10001 Marie St	\$133,000
29410 Oakview St	\$120,000
31660 Pembroke St	\$90,000
17462 Rexwood St	\$148,000
31616 Saint Martins St	\$122,000
NORTHVILLE	
19634 Aqueduct Ct	\$85,000
22697 Cyprus Dr	\$50,000

52386 Ferndale Dr	\$50,000
48696 Freestone Dr	\$110,000
48738 Freestone Dr	\$110,000
48808 Freestone Dr	\$110,000
519 Horton St	\$329,000
15629 Johnson Creek Dr	\$130,000
15653 Johnson Creek Dr	\$125,000
15749 Johnson Creek Dr	\$126,000
15701 Johnson Creek Dr	\$125,000
15725 Johnson Creek Dr	\$135,000
15749 Johnson Creek Dr	\$129,000
15786 Johnson Creek Dr	\$135,000
50652 Livingston Dr	\$343,000
19800 Marilyn St	\$165,000
40540 N Northville Trl	\$385,000
48852 Rainbow Ln N	\$294,000
48876 Rainbow Ln N	\$323,000
18161 Shoreline Ct	\$515,000
44669 Spring Hill Rd	\$455,000
16924 Warwick Ct	\$370,000
16966 White Haven Dr	\$235,000
PLYMOUTH	
800 Arthur St	\$85,000

12217 Deer Creek Run	\$435,000
39564 E Ann Arbor Trl	\$100,000
41261 E Ann Arbor Trl	\$100,000
50403 Fellows Hill Dr	\$525,000
9169 Hackberry Ave	\$162,000
50626 W Fellows Creek Ct	\$540,000
50903 Weston Dr	\$365,000
1411 Woodland Pl	\$330,000
REDFORD	
9343 Columbia	\$70,000
19433 Glenmore	\$23,000
14195 Mason Dr	\$139,000
14252 Mason Dr	\$148,000
14323 San Jose	\$18,000
WESTLAND	
35790 Castlewood Ct	\$52,000
7414 Manor Cir	\$28,000
35044 Markey St	\$12,000
2440 S Brandon St	\$52,000
765 S Hawthorne St	\$66,000
1855 S Parent St	\$48,000
35436 Schley St	\$45,000
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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 13-17, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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699 E Fox Hills Dr	\$19,000
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29184 Leesburg Ct	\$187,000
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35258 White Pine Trl	\$140,000
37762 Windwood Dr	\$235,000
29796 Woodbrook St	\$122,000
FRANKLIN	
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MILFORD	
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1539 Morgan Ln	\$40,000
1571 Morgan Ln	\$50,000
1737 Morgan Ln	\$45,000
699 Telya Rdg	\$180,000
NOVI	
40611 Lenox Park Dr	\$240,000
23710 Meadowbrook Rd	\$113,000
27850 Middleton Dr	\$157,000
25228 Sutton Ct	\$50,000
23496 Winthrop Ct	\$198,000
SOUTH LYON	
25536 Coach Ln	\$40,000
26085 Cornell Dr	\$50,000
57710 Deere Ct	\$259,000

26464 Mallard Ct	\$60,000
204 Maplewood Ct	\$47,000
61190 Saddlecreek Dr	\$297,000
26355 Shumans Way	\$223,000
26431 Shumans Way	\$50,000
257 University Ave	\$55,000
446 Whipple St	\$13,000
SOUTHFIELD	
29327 E Chanticleer Dr	\$80,000
21727 Hidden Rivers Dr N	\$25,000
29790 Red Leaf Dr	\$50,000
25322 Saint James	\$72,000
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Oakland Investors

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Moving Inventory Jo's Art Gallery, 19376 Livornois, Detroit 48221 June 7-9, 8:45am-4pm and 10th 12pm-5pm. For more info go to estatesales.net SEE YOU THERE!!!

Large Estate Sale - Northville
Thurs, Fri & Sat 9-4pm 44855 Thornapple Lane. Btwn 6 Mile & 7 Mile, off Sheldon. Antiques & more!

LIVONIA ESTATE SALE:
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MILFORD: 6/14-6/17, 9-6pm. Estate sale. Antiques and vintage items. 7 rooms of furniture, household items, tools, & much more! 814 Abeey Lane, off Milford Rd btwn 59 and Commerce

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Garage/Moving Sales

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FARMINGTON HILLS: Multi family! Tons of stuff! Sat & Sun, June 9th & 10th, 9-5pm. 22127 West Brandon, 9 Mile & Middlebelt.

Farmington Hills- Woodbine
Sub-wide sale! 10 Mile/ Middlebelt, June 7-9th 9-5pm. Lots of homes participating! 8dmm furn, tools & tons more!

FARMINGTON:
Chatham Hills Sub Wide Sale. Thurs-Sat, June 7-9, 9am-5pm. S. of Grand River btwn Drake & Halstead.

GARDEN CITY 28912
Cambridge - Sofa, chairs, tables, twin sleeper sofa, office suite, misc items. Thurs-Sat, June 7-9, 8am-5pm. 734-427-1905

GARDEN CITY: Moving out of state. Furniture, vinyl stove, pressure washer, nice clothing, linens, decor dishes, etc. 6/7-6/9, 10-4pm. 6542 Sunset St. btwn Middlebelt & Merriman. N of Ford.

GARDEN CITY: Thurs-Sat, 9-5. Coke, M&M's, scrapbook case, clothes, housewares, books, ceiling fan, TVs, Longaberger, 28469 Donnelly St. S. of Ford, W. of Harrison.

HIGHLAND MEADOWVIEW COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE
June 7, 9am-4:30pm, 923 Duck Lake Road, Household, furniture, accessories, etc.

LIVONIA - 7 Mile & Merriman
Hidden Pines Annual Garage Sale. Something for everyone! June 8-10th, 9am-5pm.

LIVONIA - DEER CREEK ANNUAL SUB SALE!
Fri-Sat, June 8-9, 9-4pm. Numerous homes open Thurs. June 7, Rain or Shine. 1/2 mi. W. of Farmington Rd., S. of 8 Mile, or N. of 7 Mi. W. of Gill.

BRIGHTON - Chadwick Farms Sub Sale. June 7, 8, 9, 9am-4pm. off of Malby Rd, 1/4 mile West of Rickett.

CANTON ANNUAL SUB SALE
The Ravines Subdivision S. of Joy, W. of Beck. Thurs-Sat, June 7th-9th, 10am-4pm. Something for everyone! Furniture, household items, remote control boats, & fishing supplies.

CANTON CHERRY HILL VILLAGE ANNUAL SUB WIDE GARAGE SALE - 25+ Homes Participating!
Don't miss this! Location: South of Cherry Hill and Denton Rds. in Canton. When: June 8-10, hours: 8 am-6pm. Maps available on site!

CANTON MOVING SALE:
Thurs-Sat, 6/7-6/9, 9-4p. 45426 Augusta Dr. W/Canton Ct. S/Cherry Hill. Misc. items, clothes, etc.

CANTON VISTAS OF CENTRAL PARK
S. of Cherry Hill W. of Beck Subwide Sale. June 7, 8 & 9, 9-4pm. Furniture, household, clothing, misc.

CANTON:
Forest Brook Sub Sale June 7, 8 & 9, 9am-5pm. Corner of Sheldon & Palmer

CANTON: 43041 Ryegate. Children's books, toys, household items, dance costumes, misc. Thurs. & Fri. 9-4 Sat. 9-1.

COMMERCE TWP. Household/Estate Sale. Fri. June 8, 9-4. 3852-3838 Cheryl Dr. Tools, country, collectibles, infant & toys, clothes, yard & much more. W. of Benstein, N. of Bass Lake, E. of Sleeth.

FARMINGTON HILLS June 7-9, 9am-5pm. 22161 Colgate, 3 blocks W. of Middlebelt, between 9 Mile and Grand River. Cleaning closets and cupboards of 30 years accumulation. Antiques and collectibles, furniture and so much more! 248-320-8774

Garage/Moving Sales

LIVONIA Moving Sale
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LIVONIA MOVING SALE- WE'RE DOWNSIZING! 15050 Golfview Dr. S/E 5 Mile & Levan, 6/7-6/9. Furniture, household items, quilt shop fabric.

LIVONIA Wide Variety!
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LIVONIA- Multi-family sale!
Kid's bikes, riding toys, & car bed; exc. cond. Lots of other misc. 6/8 9-5pm, & 6/9 9-4pm. 11767 Roselinda Dr. just W Newburgh Rd off Plymouth

LIVONIA: 36344 Fairway Dr. Golf Ridge Sub. 8 Mile & Newburgh. Thurs-Sat, 9am-4pm. 30 years! Furniture, household & auto parts

LIVONIA: Mon-Sat, 35428 W. Chicago, S. of Plymouth, W. of Wayne Rd. Sewing machines, kitchen table set, exercise equip & much more!

LYON TWP. Big Sale! 30992 Artesian Dr. 6/7-9. Great furniture indoor/outdoor, household items, more. Pontiac Tr. btwn. South Hill & Old Plank.

NEW HUDSON: Workshop of tools, all kinds, power woodworker tools, yard tools, furniture & household goods. June 8 & 9th, 10-6pm. 30261 Grace-Rae, W. of Milford Rd. off Pontiac Tr.

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE!
Misc. items. 56500 12 Mile Rd. E. of Milford Rd. Fri. & Sat., June 8 & 9, 9-4pm.

NORTHVILLE - Huge Garage Sale!
Sale! 9563 Currie Rd.

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Thurs-Sat, June 7-9, 9-5pm.

NORTHVILLE TWP. GIGANTIC
Sub-Wide Garage Sale! Woodland South Condos, SW corner of Sheldon & 6 Mile. June 7, 8 & 9, 9-4pm.

NORTHVILLE: Blue Heron Pointe Condo Community Garage Sale - Sat, June 9th 8am-4pm. W. side of Beck Rd. btwn 6 & 7 Mile. Furniture, books, clothing, appliances, & misc.

NORTHVILLE: Garage Sale. Sat., June 9, 9am-3pm. 869 Pond island Ct. Pheasant Hills Sub. N. of 8, E. of Beck. Sports equip, dishes, clothes, books

NORTHVILLE: Huge Barn & Lawn Sale. Antiques, Collectibles & Flea Market Goods. Children's activities & Fairie Days Projects. Sat. June 9, 10-6 Sun 6/10, 11-5. 48120 Eight Mile. 248-348-0117

NOVI - SUB SALE
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NOVI - Meadowbrook Glens Sub Sale - N. of 10 Mile. W. of Meadowbrook June 7, 8, 9, 10, 9-5pm. Rain or Shine!

NOVI: Furniture & Misc. Items. June 9, 9-5pm. 24693 Applecrest Dr.

Garage/Moving Sales

NOVI: Huge Garage Sale.
25511 Abbey Dr. S. of 11 Mile, E. of Beck. June 7-9, 9-3pm. Lots of house & kitchenwares, framed pictures, decorative items, linens & DVD players.

PLYMOUTH Sat., June 9.
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17701 Derby, btwn 6 & 7 Mile, E. of Inkster. Thurs-Mon June 7th-June 11th, 9am-5pm. Lots of good stuff

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Subdivision Garage Sale. Thurs-Sat, June 7-9, 9-5pm. Orchard Edge Estates, Silver Lake & Pontiac Trail.

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WESTLAND ESTATE SALE.
June 14, 15, 16 & 17, 9-5pm. Lots of woodworking & other tools, household items, 5826 N. Globe 48185. NE of Ford & Newburgh.

WESTLAND MOVING SALE!!
32701 Bertram. Contemporary Furniture, Office, Sectional, Kitchen Table, Bedroom, collectibles, tools, clothing, antiques, household items, etc. June 8-10, 15-17. EVERYTHING MUST GO! MAKE OFFER! 734-674-0941

WESTLAND- Multi family sale.
Lots of Christmas items, toys, kids clothes, & misc. Thurs-Sat, 10-5pm. 33760 Tawas, N. of Warren, E. of Wayne

WESTLAND-BIG SALE! June 7-8, 9am-4pm. Furniture, house and baby items. 2128 N. Marie, W. of Newburgh, S. of Ford Rd. overpass.

WESTLAND: 36135 Traditions Dr., S. of Carlson, E. of Marquette, 6/7-6/9, 9-4pm. Longaberger, Hallmark, plus sized clothing & misc.

WESTLAND: BROOKFIELD VILLAGE ASSOC. SUB SALE
June 7-8th, 9am-4pm. Located on Cherry Hill & John Hix Rd.

WESTLAND: Fri-Sun, 10-5pm. 35750 Glen St. off Wayne Rd. btwn Cherry Hill & Palmer. Lg size ladies clothing, toys, household goods, Texaco & Hess collectibles and TY animals.

WESTLAND: Huge Barn Sale!
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